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H.M.S. BELFAST TORPEDOED, MINED?

OVER 200 GERMAN MINES WASHED ASHORE

London, To-day.
Over 200 German mines have been washed ashore on the coast of Yorkshire, it was learned yesterday.
Despite the German mines, a British convoy arrived safely in the Thames on Thursday night, it was revealed yesterday morning.—Reuter.

CHUNGKING RUMOURS OF CHANGES IN CABINET

Chungking, To-day.
While rumours of impending changes in the personnel of the Chinese Government persist, Reuter is reliably informed that such reports are nothing more than mere conjecture.

Rumours have been prevalent in Chungking following the closing of the sixth plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang four days ago.

Particularly has speculation been caused by the announcement that General Chiang Kai-shek is to become President of the Executive Yuan, a position similar to Prime Minister, since all the most important executive ministries, such as War, Finance, Education, Communications, Interior, Foreign and Economic Affairs, come under this Yuan.

SPECULATION RIFE

Speculation is also rife over the reported decision to form three new Ministries—Agriculture, Commerce and Social Affairs.

It is emphasised here that the sixth plenary session of the C.E.C., while being the highest authority in the country when the Kuomintang Congress is not in session, has no political authority.—Reuter.

STANDARD PRICES

The "Gazette" contains a list: not further increases authorised in standard food prices, and of additions to the list.

London, To-day.
THE ADMIRALTY announce that the 10,000-ton cruiser Belfast, one of the new "Town Class," only recently commissioned, was damaged by a torpedo or mine in the Firth of Forth, in the vicinity of May Island, on Tuesday this week.
The casualties were 20 wounded, and the ship was taken in hand for repairs.

TWO AIR RAIDS ON SHETLANDS

London, To-day.
The Shetlands had two air raid warnings yesterday.
German planes flew over the island in the morning, and the all clear was sounded after 30 minutes.
The second warning came in the afternoon, and the all clear went 42 minutes later.—Reuter.

FIVE PLANES TAKE PART

London, To-day.
Five German aircraft participated in the first flight over the Shetlands yesterday, and two aircraft in the second.
Two British fighters appeared when the five raiders were overhead.
No bombs were dropped.—Reuter.

FIGHTING IN NANNING SUBURBS

Kwong Chow Wan, To-day.
The Japanese reached the outskirts of Nanning yesterday afternoon.

Troops left to fight a rearguard action were last night reported engaged with the Japanese in the south-east suburbs.

Nanning was bombed throughout the day.

The surroundings of Nanning being a plain affording no adequate protection from aircraft, the main force of Chinese troops yesterday withdrew on instructions from General Pal Chung-hsi.

They withdrew towards Liuchow.—Our Own Correspondent.

After the explosion naval vessels hurried to her assistance, and passengers in a train saw the damaged vessel returning to harbour.
Five of the casualties were suffering from head wounds and shock, and were admitted to hospital. None was seriously hurt.

The other injured were treated in a naval hospital.
H.M.S. Belfast was launched in March, 1932 and was still in her builders' hands in July this year.—Reuter.

NAZI CLAIM

Berlin, To-day.
According to D.N.B., a U-boat commander has reported that he torpedoed and damaged H.M.S. Belfast on Tuesday, in the Firth of Forth.
The British Admiralty, it will be recalled, declare that it is not certain whether the vessel was struck by a mine or was torpedoed.—Reuter.

ONLY FIVE SURVIVORS OF NAZI OUTRAGE

London, To-day.
Five survivors from the Dutch steamer Sliedright (5,133 tons) were landed on the north-west coast of England yesterday by a trawler.

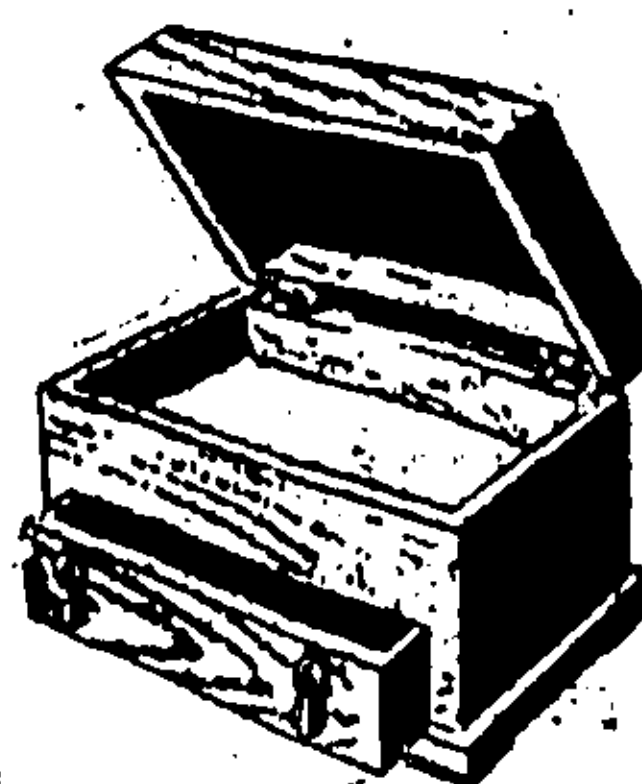
The trawler picked them up after seven and a half days in an open boat following the sinking of their vessel by a German submarine.
The survivors said the submarine commander examined the ship's papers which told that the vessel was a neutral ship bound for a neutral port, but he still insisted on sinking them.

The vessel carried a crew of 31. He refused to take them on board for transfer to another ship, saying he had no room.—Reuter.

LONDON WAR RISK RATES HIGHER

London, To-day.
The Institute of London Underwriters has raised war shipping insurance between Britain and the Americas, India and Australasia from 60/- to 80/-.
The rate from France south of Brest is 50/-.—Reuter.

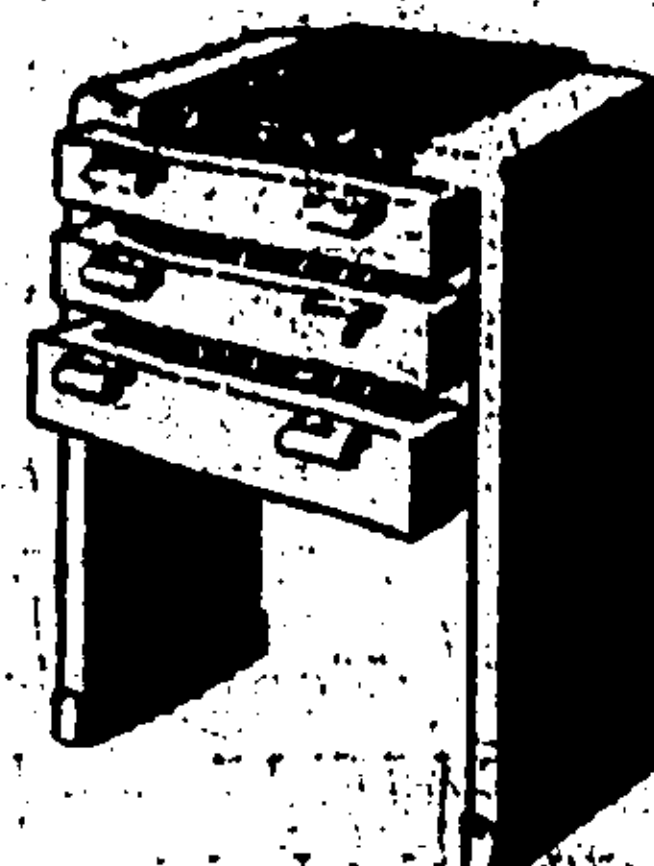
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**GERMAN AIR CIRCUS
OUT AGAIN -- 2 ARE HIT**

The famous Richthofen air squadron that Goering led for a time in the last war is in action again.

When two German fighters were shot down recently near the Maginot Line, it was discovered that they bore, besides the usual German identity marks, the red-and-white check pattern which Richthofen made famous.

Their "tails up" because of the air victories at home which cost the Nazis eight planes over the week-end, Royal Air Force dawn patrols went over the Western Front looking for fresh triumphs.

British fighting planes from one of the advance aerodromes behind the Maginot Line penetrated far over the Siegfried Line and returned to report all quiet.

News of the disastrous failure of the latest German attacks at home was heard over the wireless at all R.A.F. points and caused great jubilation.

Toasts were drunk in champagne by the pilots to celebrate their comrades' victories.

"ENGLISH FLY LIKE BIRDS"

Flying in perfect formation as if at the Hendon Air Pageant, a patrol of British fighter planes returned to its base within a few miles of the booming guns on the Western Front.

As they flew low over the aerodrome they dipped in salute.

The wings of one of the planes was riddled with bullet holes. Its pilot's face as he clambered from the machine was purple with cold. But all the flight was safely home and everyone rejoiced.

High over the Siegfried Line the planes had been hotly attacked by anti-aircraft fire. A crowd of 700 French soldiers broke up from a football game and rushed across the field to see the planes come in.

"It is formidable," they cried. "The English fly like birds."

CEASELESS WATCH

They saw the neat round bullet holes punctured in the slender wings. They poked their stubby fingers in the slotted wings and gaped at the barrels of the machine-guns.

"It is formidable," they cried again.

The men who fly these swift fighters control them with a wonderful lightness of touch.

These boys have seen action while most of the Air Force in Britain is still waiting for the work to come. Here, close to the front line, they wait to guard the inviolability of French soil.

If German scouting planes nose their way over the Maginot Line, it is their duty to soar into the sky and tackle the enemy before he has penetrated into French territory to make his reconnaissance.

If bombers come these are the boys who must intercept them and beat them back before real damage can be done.

Night and day there is a ceaseless watch.

**FOREIGN
SEAMEN IN
BRITISH
SHIPS**

In these days of dangerous sea voyages, it is interesting to note that the British Government has agreed to place all foreign seamen serving in British ships on exactly the same plane as British seamen.

The point was raised in connection with five tankers sailing from Mexico for Great Britain, which carried Chinese crews.

Apparently the crews declined to sail unless they had specific guarantees both with regard to wages and with regard to the treatment of their dependents if they themselves were killed.

The Chinese Embassy in London took the matter up and were informed by the Foreign Office that exactly the same terms would be applied to all seamen, whether foreign or British, serving on British ships in the war.

This may interest some of the Chinese crews serving on ships sailing between Britain and the Far East, more especially the Blue Funnel boats.

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Sonja Henie, Tyrone Power in

"THIN ICE"

BRITISH DECISION TO SEIZE NAZI EXPORTS

London, To-day.

THE BRITISH Government's announcement that the Allies are to seize German exports in retaliation against illegal German sinkings conforms to a recognised principle of international law.

The material disadvantages to neutrals entailed by the British action consist chiefly of the delay, which is being reduced to a minimum.

The losses inflicted both on Britain and on neutrals have not only been property but also the lives of women and children through the indiscriminate laying of unannounced drifting mines by Germany contrary to international law, which is now admitted by the German radio, as well as illegal sinkings by German submarines.

The ultimate purpose of international law is largely to safeguard neutral rights.

A comparison of the past record of the attitude of the British and German Governments towards international law and neutrals' rights leaves no doubt whose victory is most likely to ensure the prevalence of these in future.

It is inevitable, and indeed desirable, in the interest of international law itself, to create new precedents to deal with these new forms of piracy. — Reuter.

WATUSSI SLIPS OUT OF PORT

Mozambique, To-day.

Another German steamer has slipped out. She is the Watussi, of 9,500 tons, which has been sheltering here ever since war broke out.

She slipped out under cover of darkness.

This is the third German steamer to leave Portuguese African waters. — Reuter.

The Watussi is a ship of 9,552 tons, owned by the Woermann Linie A. G. Registered at Hamburg, she was built in 1928 and is about 440 feet long. She is driven by steam turbines geared to a single-screw shaft, and is equipped with refrigerating machinery and fitted for oil fuel.

FINLAND MUST HOLD TO REFUSAL

Helsinki, To-day.

The Finnish Premier states that the Finnish Government feels that there is no possibility of accepting the latest Soviet proposals.

If Finland accepted them, she would be violating her own neutrality, and would also be weakening the defence of the country by transferring to a foreign power first-class fortifications.

The Premier pointed out that the Soviet Union itself was supposed to be based on the right of all peoples to self-determination. Russia had stated that she desired to maintain neighbourly relations and had recognised Finnish independence. — Reuter.

GERMANY FEELING THE PINCH

London, To-day.

How Germany is feeling the pinch is to be found by a study of small and out-of-the-way paragraphs in the Nazi press.

This study reveals that the Nazis are trying to get oil from an Arabian plant; sugar from wood; and sulphuric acid from gypsum.

Nazi chemists are still trying to get a substitute for coffee. So far, their efforts have not met with the approval of German consumers. — Reuter.

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Orders by Lt. Col. H. B. Rose, M.C.
Commandant, H. K. V. D. Corps.
Hong Kong, Friday, Nov. 24, 1939.
**QUALIFICATION—CROSSLEY
ENGINES**

The aftermentioned personnel have passed out on Crossley Engines with effect from the dates shown:—

1st Battery:—
Bdr. J. S. Greenberg, Gnr. H. W. Buckingham, Gnr. B. Pasco, Gnr. A. Zaitzeff and Gnr. R. Englebrecht—8.11.39.

Gnr. B. Lipkovsky, Gnr. C. Voronoff, Gnr. C. R. Carr, Sgt. L. Jack and BQMS. J. G. Hooper—15.11.39.

3rd Battery:—
Gnr. Y. K. Pun, Gnr. H. K. Chan, Gnr. H. K. Chai and Gnr. L. K. Ho—17.11.39.

**QUALIFICATION—H. C. D. LAMPS
& MOBILE ENGINES**

The aftermentioned have passed out on H. C. D. Lamps and Mobile Engines with effect from the dates shown:—

1st Battery:—
BQMS. J. G. Hooper, Gnr. J. R. Carr and Gnr. B. Lipkovsky—11.10.39.
Gnr. C. Voronoff, Gnr. B. Pasco, Gnr. H. W. Buckingham, Gnr. J. S. Greenberg, Gnr. A. Zaitzeff, Gnr. R. Englebrecht and Sgt. L. Jack—15.11.39.

QUALIFICATION—RANGETAKERS
The aftermentioned have passed out on an examination of Rangetakers held at Scandal Point on the dates shown:—

2nd Battery:—
Gnr. O. Orr, Gnr. I. H. C. Highet, Gnr. E. P. Streatfield and Gnr. H. Foy—20.11.39.

**QUALIFICATION—SEARCHLIGHT
OPERATORS**

The following qualified at an examination of Searchlight Operators held at Wellington Barracks on 25.10.39.

3rd Battery:—
L/Bdr. H. K. Chan, Gnr. P. N. Pun, Gnr. K. L. Kwok, Gnr. H. K. Choy and Gnr. K. H. Chan.

PARADES

2ND BATTERY:

Layers' Class:—
Sunday 26th Nov. Scandal Point. 9.00 a.m. D. R. F. Detachment as detailed by B.S.M.

Layers' & A.A.I.M.G. Classes:—
Monday 27th Nov. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. D.R.F. Detachment (5).

Right Section:—
Tuesday 28th Nov. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. No. 2 Detachment. Gun drill.

Thursday 30th Nov. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Detachment. Gun drill.

Left Section:—
Wednesday 29th Nov. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m. No. 1 Detachment. Gun drill.

Friday 1st Dec. Scandal Point. 5.30 p.m.
Dress for above parade—S.D. caps and Overalls.

Battery Parade:—
Sunday 3rd Dec. H.Q. 9.00 a.m. S.D. caps, K.D. jacket, K.D. shorts, hose tops and puttees, lanyard, web belts and frogs, haversacks web, black boots.

Layers' Class:—

Sunday 3rd Dec. Scandal Point. 10.00 a.m.

Uniform:—

Tuesday 28th Nov. H.Q. 5.00 p.m.

3RD BATTERY:

All Personnel:—
Wednesday 29th Nov. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Issuing and marking kit for camp. Dress—Mufti. All equipment must be brought for checking and jackets, trousers, shorts, shirts and overalls for marking.

Gun Detachments:—

Monday 27th Nov. and Thursday 30th Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps and G.P. shoes.

Rangetakers:—

Monday 27th Nov. and Thursday 30th Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls, S.D. caps and G.P. shoes.

Lewis Gun Squad:—

Monday 27th Nov. and Thursday 30th Nov. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

D.E.L. Personnel:—

Friday 1st Dec. Wellington Barracks. 5.30 p.m. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

Telephonists Course:—

Monday 27th Nov. Belchers. 5.30 p.m. Examination. Dress—Overalls and S.D. caps.

5TH BATTERY:

Saturday 25th Nov. 2.15 p.m. Queen's Pier. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Sunday 26th Nov. Queen's Pier. 9.15 a.m. No. 1 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Monday 27th Nov. 5.00 p.m. H.Q. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections. Checking and marking of clothing.

Wednesday 29th Nov. Queen's Pier. 5.00 p.m. No. 2 Section. Dress—Overalls.

Thursday 30th Nov. Queen's Pier. 5.00 a.m. No. 1 Section.

Saturday 2nd Dec. H.Q. 2.30 p.m. Nos. 1 and 2 Sections to proceed to camp. Dress—Jackets, trousers, S.D. caps, boots.

The following articles will be carried in Kit bags—Spare jackets, trousers, shorts, khaki shirts, puttees, overalls and gun platform shoes. Material for cleaning buttons and boots should be carried, also washing and shaving gear and personal items of clothing. Kit bags, properly labelled, must be at H.Q. before 11 a.m. on Saturday 2nd, to be conveyed to the Battery position. Warm sweaters, greatcoats and those not in possession of service greatcoats, civilian overcoats to be brought.

FIELD COMPANY ENGINEERS

Thursday 30th Nov. K.C.R. 5.30 p.m. Discussion on camp.

CORPS SIGNALS

Monday 27th Nov. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. All detachments. Signal training (Ref. S. T. All Arms, pp. 81-85 and 27-31).

Friday 1st Dec. H.Q. 5.15 p.m. All detachments. Signal training. Procedure and instruments (Ref. S. T. All Arms pp. 72-78).

Week-end, 25th-26th Nov. D/Rs. as instructed by N.C.O. i/c D/Rs.

No. 1 Company—Nos. 1 & 2 Platoons:—

Sunday 26th Nov. Stonecutters. M.G. Part II. Launch leaves Queen's Pier 8.30 a.m. and Kowloon Police Pier

8.45 p.m. Dress—Mufti but webbing belts will be worn.

Tuesday 28th Nov. and Friday 1st Dec. H.Q. 8.30 p.m. As Company programme.

No. 4 (Troop) Platoon:—

Sunday 28th Nov. As for Nos. 1 and 2 Platoons above. Those detailed only.

Tuesday 28th Nov. and Friday 1st Dec. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. M.G. Training.

No. 2 Company:—

Wednesday 29th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Recruits and part trained men as detailed. M.G. training. Mechanism.

Thursday 30th Nov. (i) H.Q. 5.30 p.m. No. 7 Platoon. (ii) Kowloon Dock. 5.30 p.m. Squad drill with arms.

Monday 3rd Dec. Remainder. Church Parade.

No. 4 Company:—

Wednesday 29th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. N.C.O.'s Meeting.

Friday 1st Dec. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. Company meeting.

No. 5 Company:—

Tuesday 28th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. (i) Class A. Lecture on reconnaissance of gun positions within a section area.

(ii) Class B. Section drill. Direct fire. (iii) Class C. Points B.D.A.

No. 7 Company:—

Monday 27th Nov. and Thursday 30th Nov. H.Q. 5.30 p.m. L. G. training, as detailed.

Army Service Corps Company:—

Sunday 26th Nov. R.A.S.C. Compound. Queen's Road. 9.30 a.m. Supply Section, B Squad.

Thursday 30th Nov. R.A.S.C. Compound. 5.30 p.m. Supply Section, A Squad.

Pay Section:—

As detailed.

CORPS ORDERS—AMENDMENT

Corps Orders No. 48-39 of the 10.11.39, para. 6. For "3658 Pte. A. Biriukoff" read "3658 Pte. A. Biriukoff".

Corps Orders No. 54-39 of the 17.11.39, para. 3. The date of promotion to B.S.M. of J. Robinson should read "12.11.39".

APPOINTMENT

A/R.S.M. R. E. Slattery to be C.S.M. No. 4 Company with effect from 5.10.39.

TRANSFERS

All Sappers No. 7 Company to be Privates with effect from 19.10.39.

LEAVE

Spr. A. L. S. Read, Field Coy. Engs. 15.11.39—2.1.40.

Cpl. W. H. Taylor, Corps Sigs. 18.11.39—17.1.40.

Sgt. J. Redman, No. 1 Coy. 16.11.39—15.1.40.

STRENGTH—INCREASE

Pte. E. O. Murphy, Arm'd. Car Pl.

BROUGHT DOWN PLANE WITH HIS SUB-MACHINE GUN

Seeing two German planes flying low, Adjutant Legris, on active service with the French Army, seized his sub-machine-gun and opened fire.

The planes disappeared behind clouds, but later the pilot of one of them was forced to land by parachute. He was taken prisoner.

It is announced that the Adjutant had been mentioned in dispatches for "showing quick decision and rapid execution in bringing down a German plane."

—23.10.39.
Pte. A. J. G. Taylor, No. 1 Coy.
—6.11.39.

E. N. THURSBY, Captain,
Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICE

H.K.R.A. COMPETITIONS

The H.K. Rifle Association is holding a shoot at Kowloon City on Sunday 26th November, the entire proceeds of which will be given to the British War Organisation Fund.

In addition to the usual spoon shoot, team competitions both for experts and high handicap shots are being arranged, and additional prizes are being given.

Revolver and clay pigeon competitions will be held and it is pointed out that anyone not in possession of a shot gun can borrow one on the range.

One convertible sighter and ten shots to count will be fired at 200 yards and firing will commence at 8.00 a.m.

AFFILIATED UNIT

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps

LECTURE

The next lecture in First Aid will be held on Friday 1st December at 5.30 p.m. in St. Johns Cathedral Hall.

PRACTICAL BANDAGING CLASSES

Practical Bandaging Classes will be held on Monday 27th November at 10.30 a.m. at Volunteer H.Q. and at 5.30 p.m. at 13, Leighton Hill. Transport for the evening class will leave Vol. H.Q. at 5.15 p.m.

ATTACHMENT

The following member was attached to the Military Hospital for training during the period shown:—

Miss M. Eardley—18.11.39 to 19.11.39.

Sgt. Mrs. I. M. S. BRAUDE, Assistant Comdt.,

Nursing Detachment, H.K.V.D. Corps.

OFF THE RECORD

By Ed Reed



"Thank you for the honor, boys—my mother always said I'd be president some day!"

Here's Luck

EWO BEER

Td. 30312

Even a Dictator Must Relax! Akim Tahirov in the role of a Dictator-actor enjoys a moment of revelry with Mary Boland, cast as an ex-parling of the real Dictator, in the daring new Paramount drama "The Magnificent Fraud." With Lloyd Nolan and Patricia Morrison also in featured roles, the picture is now showing at the Queen's and Alhambras Theatres.

Edgar Wallace Atmosphere In Nazi Coup Revelations

TERUKUNI MARU INQUIRY

Tokyo, To-day.

The "Nichi-Nichi" says the Government is gathering data with the utmost care to determine the responsibility for the mining of the Terukuni Maru.

Whichever way the Government decides, it will be equivalent to befriending one belligerent and antagonising the other, which might mean that Japan will be dragged into a European war, says the newspaper.

The British Embassy has issued a statement in connexion with the sinking, which says:

"It has been established by the British Admiralty that German aircraft laid mines in five different localities off the East Coast of England after dark on the nights of Nov. 20 and Nov. 21.

"Such breaches of international law may temporarily cause damage to neutral shipping, but now that the method has been definitely ascertained, suitable measures can be taken to counteract it."—Reuter.

ANATOLIA DEA ROLL

Ankara, To-day.

The death roll in Anatolia (Turkey) has now reached 43.

Sixteen villages were almost entirely destroyed by nine violent earthquake shocks and over 1,000 homes have been destroyed.

Help is being rushed as quickly as possible from all parts of the country. — Reuter.

ASTOUNDING DETAILS OF DUTCH BORDER AFFAIR

London, To-day.

A semi-official statement has been issued at The Hague, regarding the incident in a Dutch town near the German frontier in which the Germans seized a motor car and abducted two alleged British Secret Service agents.

The statement says that in the car next to the driver were two Britons who had produced authority to show that they had permission to get into touch with Germans to study possibilities for peace negotiations.

They were accompanied by a Dutch officer who had instructions to supervise in order to see that there was no breach of Netherlands neutrality.

The Dutch statement may give rise to misunderstandings, semi-official circles in London point out.

The proposals for peace had come from the German side and in view of the influential quarter from which they came, it was the duty of those who received them to pass them on.

PASSED ON

The British subjects concerned passed them on and when kidnapped they were on their way to a place near the frontier to receive further German peace proposals.

The suggestion that this should be supervised by a Dutch officer is strange, these semi-official circles in London point out. It seems to be a new principle of international law that to receive peace proposals could in any way be an infringement of Netherlands neutrality.—Reuter.

LONDON STATEMENT ON THE INCIDENT

London, To-day.

With reference to the kidnapping near Venloo, on the Netherlands-German frontier of Captain Stevens and Mr. Best, alleged by the Nazis to be

British Secret Service agents, it is learned on high authority in London that suggestions had reached London from important elements in Nazi ruling circles which seemed to offer the possibility of peace on reasonable terms.

It was obviously necessary to examine the bona fides of these suggestions in case they might have a practical importance.

Captain Stevens and Mr. Best were entrusted with this task, which was entirely proper and had not the remotest connexion with the Munich bomb plot.

The Dutch authorities, as explained in the semi-official statement from The Hague, were duly informed of the nature of the mission by Captain Stevens and Mr. Best, and raised no objection.

As a precaution to ensure that nothing was done inconsistent with Dutch neutrality, a Dutch officer was sent to accompany the British emissaries.

The sequel is well-known.

Himmler's agents apparently discovered what was afoot and decided to prevent any important peace move from the German side.

The idea of pretending a connexion with the Munich plot was probably a Gestapo afterthought.—Reuter.

FREEDOM STATION STATEMENT

London, To-day.

The German Freedom Station yesterday broadcast a message to Himmler, the Gestapo chief, as follows:—

"You are as well aware as we are that neither Elser nor the two British men are responsible for the Munich bomb explosion.

"We know the perpetrators, and, therefore, we can speak positively."—Reuter.

VIOLATION OF DUTCH TERRITORY

London, To-day.

The Amsterdam "Telegraaf" describes the Venloo kidnapping of the two British emissaries as "a flagrant violation of our territory."

The Dutch newspaper continues: "It was no incident but a well-organised attack by eight armed Germans on a Dutch car on Dutch territory. There is no question of a mistake.

"The Germans concerned in the

MR. BEST, AND CAPTAIN STEVENS

Amsterdam, To-day.

The semi-official Netherlands statement on the Venloo incident, says that the four people abducted across the frontier by the Nazis were:—

Mr. Best, Captain Stevens, a chauffeur from The Hague named Lemmens, and Lt. Klop, of the Dutch military information service.

On the day prior to the incident Mr. Best, Captain Stevens and Lt. Klop met two unknown Germans at a frontier cafe.

Next day a Dutch car containing these four, who were later abducted, drove up to the cafe, which was certainly more than 20 yards from the German frontier.

CONFLICTING REPORTS

Reports are conflicting as to exactly what happened next, but according to witnesses, those who carried out the attack wore civilian clothes.

Two persons stepped from the car, one presumably being the chauffeur, and were greeted by two men standing by the car.

Suddenly six men stood round the house shooting wildly with automatic firearms. The two men staggered and collapsed, and one is believed to have been killed instantly.

The assailants then turned on the bystanders, threatened them with pistols and shouted to them to get inside the building.

The other six put the dead and wounded into the Dutch car.

THREE-MINUTE DRAMA

In the meantime a German car had arrived from the German side of the border and took the Dutch car in tow, and attackers and victims disappeared over the border.

The whole drama occupied three minutes. Nobody was able to intervene, and those who looked out of windows were threatened with guns and compelled to remain still.

The smoothness with which the attack was carried out gave the impression that it was very carefully prepared.

Gendarmes who arrived on the scene found a large number of cartridge cases, suggesting the attackers had been firing very rapidly.

CAFE RENDEZVOUS

The statement adds that Lt. Klop was to have been present at a meeting which the Englishmen intended to have at the frontier cafe because the Englishmen had produced authority showing themselves charged with discussing with the Germans the possibility of eventual peace negotiations. — Reuter.

attack not only committed a serious violation of our sovereignty but a crime for which Dutch law provides big penalties."—Reuter.



Sette Davis and George Brent head the cast of "Dark Victory," the brilliant romantic drama which is now showing at the King's Theatre.

HITLER PLANS FOR DUTCH INVASION: REMARKABLE ALLEGED DETAILS FROM PARIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.
RELIABLE QUARTERS yesterday revealed, on the basis of information from Germany, that Germany had completed plans to invade Holland and that the orders for attack were countermanded only four hours before the invasion was timed to take place.

Plans for the invasion of the Netherlands were drawn up by Hitler and the General Staff, and the date fixed for November 12.

Hitler is reported to have met with some opposition from General von Reichenau, up till then one of the few generals who had supported him up to the hilt.

General von Reichenau apparently was impressed by the visit to Queen Wilhelmina of the King of the Belgians, when it was decided that Belgium would support the Netherlands if a Nazi invasion occurred.

Hitler maintained his usual attitude in the face of opposition from his generals, and told General von Reichenau to have plans ready for the invasion by the evening of November 11.

On the morning of November 11 Hitler again met his generals at a conference at which the atmosphere was stormy. General von Reichenau again opposed Hitler's invasion plans.

BELGIUM THE UPSET

General von Reichenau said that the General Staff plans had been based on the expectation of Belgium remaining neutral.

He is stated to have warned Hitler that if Belgium joined the Netherlands, Germany was heading straight for disaster.

General von Brauchitsch broke the silence he had hitherto maintained and said he would not take responsibility for the operation. He declared that none of the officers present could now approve of the projected offensive.—Havas.

RATING YEAR ALSO TO BE CHANGED

The "Gazette" contains the draft of an Ordinance for the purpose of making the Rating Year in the Colony coincide with the new financial year, from March to March.

FEES INCREASED

The fees chargeable by the Custodian of Enemy Property are increased by an Order of His Excellency the Governor in Council from one per cent. to two per cent.

SPECIAL H.K.V.D.C. OFFICERS

An Ordinance to amend yet further the Volunteer Ordinance, 1933, is published in draft form in the "Gazette."

It is explained that Regulation 3 (1) of the Hong Kong Volunteer Regulations provides for the division of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps into various Corps units and Auxiliary Units and an Affiliated Unit, and paragraph (5) of the Regulation provides *inter alia* that members of an Auxiliary Unit shall not be required to undergo any training unless called out for actual military service.

For administrative and other reasons it is considered that the officers of Auxiliary Units, generally technical experts, may be gazetted as officers thereof without the previous training in the ranks of the Corps usually required in the case of officers of Corps Units.

SPECIAL DEFINITION

The objects of the amending Bill is therefore to add to the definition in section 2 of the principal Ordinance a special definition for officers of Auxiliary Units.

Such officers will then be in a position similar to other ranks in an auxiliary unit in that they will not be required to undergo military training or to provide themselves with uniform until their services are necessary.

FRITZ KUHN CASE

New York, To-day.
Judge Wallace yesterday dismissed five of the ten charges against Fritz Kuhn, leader of the pro-Nazi German-American Bund.

Kuhn now faces a charge of stealing \$1,217,000. — Reuter.

AMERICA'S DEFENCE COSTS

WARM SPRINGS (GEORGIA), TO-DAY.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT TOLD A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE YESTERDAY THAT NATIONAL DEFENCE EXPENDITURE MAY BE INCREASED BY \$500,000,000 IN THE NEXT FISCAL YEAR.

Expenditure for defence would exceed \$2,000,000,000, and would probably not reach \$2,300,000,000.

President Roosevelt also disclosed that consideration is being given to a special tax to finance this expenditure.

PEACE IN SPRING?

President Roosevelt said he had hopes that the war would end by the Spring, but gave no indication that he believed his hopes would be fulfilled.

The President revealed that the Budget would not be balanced next year, even apart from the defence outlays, but there should be a very substantial decrease in the deficit.—Reuter.

GERERAL APPEARED IN THE FLESH

Here's the naked truth about a Nazi General.

In the final report of the German Supreme Command on the Polish campaign, it is revealed that General von Reichenau, who was in command, was left behind when his first troops had crossed the Vistula. He decided to join them in their advanced positions.

Having no other means of crossing the river quickly, he decided to swim it.

German soldiers on the other bank were astounded when three naked men emerged from the Vistula.

Their astonishment was increased when the General opened a rubber bag and calmly took out his trousers and tunic. His debagged uniform bore his General's badges and many war decorations.

BARONESS FLIES WAR ZONE TO SEE WEDDING

Baroness Aminoff, a well-known Finnish aristocrat, obtained special permission from the British Government and made a hazardous flight to England for the wedding of her niece, Miss Pamela MacDougall, to Mr. George Milles-Lade, son of the late Hon. H. A. Milles-Lade, at Norton, Kent.

Relatives of the Baroness had given up hope of her being allowed to leave Finland.

"I had to travel by boat from Helsinki to Stockholm before I was able to get a plane," she told the press. "Mothers and babies being evacuated from Helsinki crowded the boat. It was distressing."

"From Malmo (Sweden) I got a plane. It had to fly at 10,000ft. to avoid enemy aircraft. It was a very trying flight."

"From Amsterdam we flew to an airport in the South of England. I was very glad to get here safely."

Miss MacDougall, the bride, is a daughter of Mrs. MacDougall, of Provender, and Lieutenant-Colonel H. MacDougall, of Cawston Manor, Norfolk, who is in South Africa. The bridegroom is heir to Earl Soudes his uncle, who was best man.

DUKE OF KENT ON LEAVE

London, To-day.

The Duke of Kent, who is in Scotland as a Rear-Admiral on the Staff of the Commander-in-Chief, Home Fleet, arrived in London yesterday with the Duchess of Kent on a few days' leave.

They are staying at Buckingham Palace.—Reuter.

U-BOAT BATTLE HERO, 14

A fourteen-year-old mess-boy, Frank Elders, survivor from the steamer Heronspool, calmly told of the sinking of the ship when he reached New York after being picked up by the American liner President Harding.

"The signal for action stations was sounded on the ship's siren just after six in the evening," he said. "The gun crew rushed to the gun, but couldn't see a U-boat."

"Later the U-boat signalled with lights the order to halt."

"Our answer was a shot. The U-boat then fired once across our bows, but we kept on, and the U-boat came so close we could see men smoking in the turret."

"Later somebody shouted 'Here he is.' There was a terrific explosion almost immediately."

"OH, MOTHER . . ."

"Oh, mother, I'll never hear another like that."

"We took to the boats. Ours leaked badly all night, and we couldn't bail her out fast enough. The water was knee deep when we were picked up."

An encounter between two warships, believed to be British, and a German patrol ship is reported by a Jutland fisherman, Max Olsan.

A U-boat which attacked a British armed merchant ship was holed by a shot from the ship's gun and was sunk soon afterwards by a warship.

The crew of the British steamer Sneaton, of Whitby, which was sunk by a U-boat in the Atlantic, were forced at the point of a gun to cheer while a U-boat officer took a photograph of them in their lifeboats.

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The situation is in fact no different now from what it was when Herr Hitler embarked upon his ill-fated peace offensive. Nothing whatever has transpired to indicate that there has been any change whatever in the Hitlerian heart, or that he is willing to forswear future use of the military machine which he has created for the purpose of imposing his own will upon neighbouring states, if not upon the whole of Europe. That he may seek to wrest some advantage from the Belgian and Netherlands' communication may be taken for granted, and the least that can be expected is that he will seek by some adroit move to throw the responsibility for the continuance of the war upon Allied shoulders. He has already attempted to do so in the past and has failed egregiously, but that is no reason why he should not try again. The earnest desire of King Leopold and Queen Wilhelmina for an early termination of the hostilities is perfectly well understood and sympathised with, but it has been made quite apparent that unless some scheme can be devised whereby the continual fear of German aggression can be banished for ever, peace will not be obtainable. Herr Hitler cannot be left with the fruits of his sudden onslaught on Poland. To permit that would be a definite encouragement for further similar forays in the future, which would always be a probability so long as he is left in power. He can give no guarantees for future good behaviour which can possibly be accepted, and the case for the Allies is that they owe it as much to the subjugated nations, to Belgium and Holland as much as to themselves that this struggle shall not cease until a reasonable degree of security is again returned to Europe.—"North China Daily News."

BRITAIN'S AIMS

It is sheer falsehood to say, as Hitler said, that we are fighting this war merely to free the Germans from his domination. If the German people like to be governed in his way, that is no concern of ours; if they ever come to desire freedom, they must take it for themselves. We fight not to free the Germans, who (we are prepared to believe) are willing slaves, but the nations whom Hitler has enslaved by force, and those who cannot enjoy the fruits of their native liberty so long as his constant threat of aggression overhangs them.

It is equally monstrous to accuse Great Britain of jealousy of the social progress made under Nazi rule, or of attempts to wreck the Four-Years Plan. We are very well aware that our own prosperity is inseparably linked with the prosperity of all our neighbours. It is of the very essence of British economic doctrine that trade rivalry between nations is natural and healthy; we have always sought to develop it into trade co-operation; and for six years our Government and our mercantile leaders have been persistently seeking for any element in the totalitarian commercial system with which it might be possible to co-operate. If by opposition to the Four-Years Plan Hitler means resistance to his attempts to force smaller nations within the constraints of the totalitarian economic system, that is quite another matter; we deny the right of the Germans to make their social progress at other people's expense just as firmly as we deny their claim to see their Lebensraum in other people's territory. In the economic sphere we made concession after concession, from the time of the abandonment of reparations, in order to further the rehabilita-

tion of Germany—a course parallel to the series of political concessions that culminated at Munich, and rewarded with as little gratitude and as little good faith.—"The Times."

FEDERAL EUROPE

We have to create a federal Europe if Europe is not to sink into disorder and anarchy. Europe has developed a civilisation that has certain definite virtues. Those virtues are threatened, and unless Europe can defend them that civilisation cannot survive. They cannot be defended by war alone. But the creation of a United States of Europe is an immense task, calling for great courage, imagination, independence, and unselfishness in the men who mould our politics. If the war degenerates into a mere struggle of rival States, or if it even seems so to degenerate, it will be impossible to create either here or elsewhere the atmosphere in which men will set out on this vast task. For that reason the poverty of our Government in ideas or the gift for expressing them is a great national misfortune. Mr. Churchill is a man of original and independent mind, but his hands are full. The manner in which the Prime Minister has organised his War Cabinet hardly suggests that he grasps the nature of the task that is before him and his colleagues. There are many thinkers and public men who are engaged on the study of these problems, but there is little evidence so far that Ministers are making use of such studies or organising any investigation and constructive discussion. Now the future of Europe must turn on the way in which peace is made and the influences under which its problems are discussed. It is therefore most desirable that Ministers should go beyond the statements hitherto made and that they should let the world know what kind of Europe they would wish to substitute for the existing Europe we know to-day.—"Manchester Guardian."

FUTURE OF EUROPE

Lord Halifax referred to the larger ideas for the future of Europe which are engaging all serious minds. All nations, and particularly our own, must prepare themselves for concessions and sacrifices, since the traditional idea of a Great Power and the traditional jealousy for national rights, national property, and national prestige must give way to a new conception of the fellowship of peoples and the unity

OUR STRUGGLE

The war has arisen, because there exists in Europe a country the rulers of which have resolved to use force in order to achieve their political and economic objects. These men reject all moral considerations and have no regard to treaties or obligations. They reject, in fact, the elementary conditions necessary to a civilised existence. To rescue Europe from this state of things and thus gain security for its civilised life is the capital purpose of our struggle.—Major C. R. Attlee.

of the world. We have to satisfy other nations that we are ready for such sacrifices and that we mean to contribute all we can to a new effort to lead Europe to a closer union. But all these visions, as Lord Halifax calls them, depend on the final defeat of the German spirit. Different people have drawn different pictures of a Federal Europe; plans and schemes are discussed, some fantastically ambitious, all of them demanding hard constructive thinking and a bold and revolutionary temper. The task of building up a co-operative system will occupy years, though, if we avoid the fatal mistake made at Paris in 1919 of dissolving the inter-Allied organisations that had done such admirable work in the war, we can begin from this moment to prepare for closer union between Great Britain and France and between those States and others that may be willing to join them. But no large scheme for Europe is possible so long as there is a Government with Germany's spirit and strength, determined and able to intimidate its neighbours and to use the peoples of Europe, as it uses its own subjects, for the service of its pride and its ambitions.—"Manchester Guardian."

NAZIS MASSACRE IN AUSTRIA REVOLT

ELUDING 240,000 Black Guards and a Gestapo net of spies, whole Austrian regiments, fully equipped, have crossed into Yugoslavia and Italy rather than fight for Hitler.

This is only one of Berlin's worries. Two of the biggest aeroplane factories in Germany are reported to have been destroyed by fire. Sabotage is suspected.

HOW A U-BOAT MET ITS END

The story of the destruction of one of the first of the German U-boats accounted for by the British Navy, pieced together from scraps of information which have reached the relatives of Kent members of the crews of the destroyers which actually scored this success, is now available.

Somewhere out in the Atlantic a British merchant ship suddenly found herself, late in the afternoon, under attack from a U-boat. Promptly she sent out an SOS by her wireless, a shot from the submarine having failed to put this out of action.

Navel vessels 120 miles away picked up the message and proceeded at high speed towards the position given by the merchant ship. No signals were sent out from the warships.

At the end of about two hours nothing was in sight, but the leading ship became aware that she was approaching an area in which a submarine was submerged.

The U-boat was changing course, but that did not matter. Her movements could now be detected.

The hunters took stations for operations, and soon the exact position of the submarine was ascertained by the leader.

FOUR DEPTH CHARGES

In a few minutes she was immediately over the U-boat. She released two depth charges, and then a third. But it was not until the fourth charge was released that she knew for certain that she had got her prey.

This charge must have dropped fair and square on the submarine, which was probably rising in a damaged state at the time, for there was a great underwater flash and a huge volume of water rose in the air.

Soon oil began to appear on the surface of the sea and gradually widened out at the spot where the fourth depth charge had exploded, and the crew knew then that the U-boat had been destroyed.

There was a long search for possible survivors, but none could be found.

CONVOY SEES A U-BOAT SUNK

The master of the British cargo boat Dromore, 4,098 tons, which has arrived at the port of Constantza, states that he watched British destroyers sinking a German submarine.

The destroyers were guarding a convoy which included the Dromore. They detected the presence of two submarines.

The convoy was immediately ordered to heave-to while the destroyers

Daily Austrian soldiers desert from the Nazi front lines on the Western Front. They tell the French: "We were forced to be Hitler's soldiers."

Styria and the Tyrol, where ex-Chancellor Kurt von Schuschnigg, prisoner of the Nazis, was born, are the main centres of military resistance.

Infantry Regiment No. 11 at Innsbruck and Infantry Regiment No. 27 at Graz are reported to have been executed for mutiny.

The crack regiment No. 4 (Deutschmeister) was removed from Vienna to Wiener Neustadt. There it suffered heavy losses when officers and soldiers refused to leave the garrison.

Nazi leader Buerckel told the officers of the Viennese garrison: "Everyone who is not willing to die for Hitler is a traitor. And the punishment for traitors is death."

Austrian troops on the Western Front do not form their own divisions but are mixed with "reliable" Nazi troops.

ITALY SNUBS HIMMLER

By calling up fewer Austrian reservists than was expected Hitler hoped to prevent the spread of "Austrian dissatisfaction." But his plan went awry.

Barbed wire fences on the Italian frontier cannot stop the stream of Austrian deserters to Italy.

That is why Himmler, chief of the Gestapo, went to consult his Italian colleague in Bolzano. He asked him to extradite all deserters and Germans who refuse to return to Germany when called up.

The Italian flatly declined this proposal.

Meanwhile, Hitler's pro-Moscow policy has added to Catholic bitterness against the Nazis. "Hitler will protect you from the Bolsheviks" was a slogan which won Hitler many adherents before the Anschluss (union of Austria with Germany.)

Most of the Catholic churches are closed. The remainder are overcrowded. Priests defy all threats by preaching against Hitler.

ABBOT ARRESTED

The Abbot of Melk, famous Austrian abbey, has been arrested for preaching against the "unholy alliance."

Only a small number of the sabotage acts of Austrian workers become known abroad. The guilty are shot or imprisoned.

So-called "Hell trains" leave Austria taking prisoners to concentration camps in the Reich.

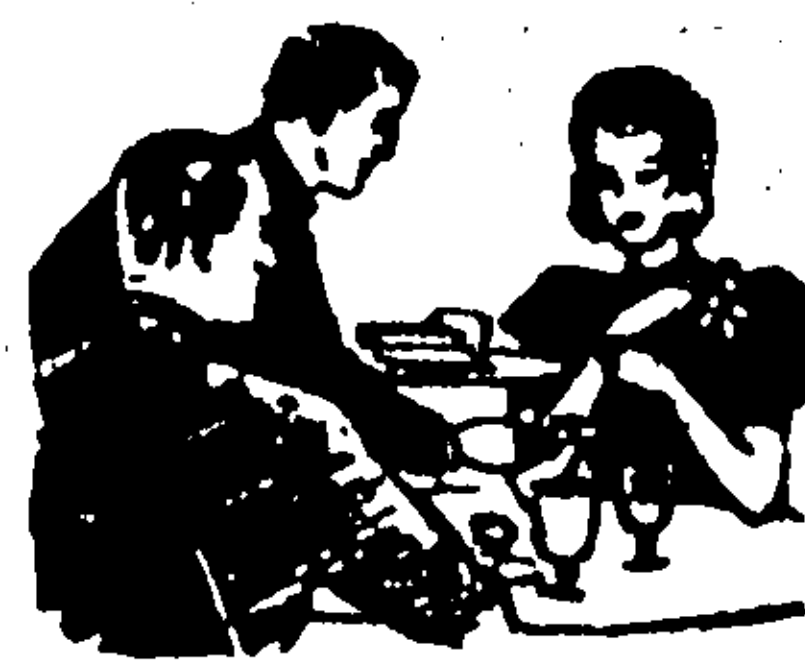
In the Styrian Boehler Werke, one of the biggest industrial concerns in Austria, S.S. men with fixed bayonets had to force women workers to go on with their work. Many Austrian policemen have been discharged for refusing to act against their compatriots.

Posters bearing a Goering proclamation beginning with "Germans! Men and Women!" have been torn down during the black-outs.

circled round.

One destroyer dropped a depth charge, and the force of the explosion was so tremendous that the chief engineer of the Dromore rushed on deck shouting that the ship had been torpedoed.

Meanwhile the skipper of the Dromore saw the bulk of a submarine driven up out of the water by the explosion. Then it plunged helplessly back again to the sea bed.



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TURKEY'S PACT WITH ALLIES A BLOW TO GERMAN EXPANSION

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Her decision was taken many months ago. Her promise to assist us in resisting aggression in the Mediterranean and Balkan areas was given publicly by her Premier and endorsed unanimously by her Parliament last spring. It is doubly satisfactory that the formal treaty, expressing the manner and circumstances of the mutual guarantees, should be signed when war in Europe has already been joined. In this fact lies the proof that this is no mere scrap of paper.

VON PAPEN'S NEXT MISSION

Up to the last moment von Papen, most crafty of German Ambassadors, has striven to prevent the new alliance. He did so on the most urgent orders of his master, frequently reiterated. Throughout the spring and summer he has been painting an alluring picture of the part which Turkey might play in the South Balkans.

Von Papen has left Ankara and has been spending an uncomfortable week-end in Berlin explaining matters to Hitler and von Ribbentrop. He seems to have assumed that his mission was at an end, but the Nazi leaders, keenly alive to the blow struck at their plans for south-eastward expansion, may send him back. He is an arch-intriguer, and if there is anything to be done in the way of creating, or increasing, Russo-Turkish friction von Papen is the man for the job.

In Iran, which to most of us is still more familiar as Persia, and in Afghanistan, German trouble-makers are also busy. They have undoubtedly tried to induce the Soviet Government to join them in making new areas of difficulty for the British Empire, though it is by no means clear that the Kremlin wants to pick a quarrel with us. There is no positive evidence in the shape of exceptional Soviet troop concentrations on those frontiers to suggest that a new theatre of war is about to be opened.

The Turkish Government can be relied on to maintain close touch with any developments. Turkey is a partner with Iran, Iraq and Afghanistan in a system on which she has relied for security against attack from the south-east.

Since 1925, when she concluded her treaty of friendship and neutrality with Soviet Russia, she has felt safe against attack from the north and north-east. Since 1934 she has enjoyed two safeguards against attack from the west; namely, the Balkan Pact of mutual assistance, whereby Turkey, Rumania, Greece and Yugoslavia guarantee each other's Balkan frontiers, and the Turkish army itself, which feels well able to take care of any hostile move by Bulgaria.

TURKEY'S OWN INTERESTS

Leaving aside for the moment consideration of the Balkan situation, which seems, after some years of political fluidity, to be hardening under the pressure of Germany, I would emphasise those "Turkish national interests" which have helped the Government of Ankara to decide to conclude the new Anglo-Franco-Turkish treaty.

Turkey, as I have said, felt secure in respect of the east, north and west. Under the wise rule of Kemal Ataturk she concluded that she had ample scope for development within her existing smaller frontiers, and had no ambitions to regain her one-time extensive European possessions. It followed that her anxieties were limited to the south—in other words, her Mediterranean seaboard, which could be menaced if Italian aims to dominate the eastern Mediterranean were pursued. Automatically it followed that Turkish and British interests—to a lesser extent, French interests, also—were identical. All were concerned to see the Mediterranean status quo preserved.

ONE BENEFIT FROM MUNICH

Curiously enough—and I make the statement on first-hand authority—it was the attitude taken up by British in the 1938 autumn crisis which proved decisive in the Turkish mind. For the British attitude in the events culminating in the Munich Agreement convinced Turkey beyond all doubt that Britain could have no expansionist aims.

By the latest treaty it is established that a renewed German thrust to the south-east,

threatening the independence of Rumania, would call into play still closer consultation between the western Allies and Turkey. Should that threat develop into an armed thrust which Rumania felt compelled to resist with her armed forces, Turkey would join us as allies at war with Germany. The same is true in respect of Greece, although the contingency seems more remote.

The Dardanelles and Bosphorus, now closed to belligerent warships, could be opened if Britain and France wished to enter the Black Sea in order to give direct support to Rumania. On the other hand it is by no means certain that Allied strategy would call for this particular action, while there is certainly no present desire to embarrass Russo-Turkish relations. On the contrary, London has welcomed the obvious Soviet desire to stress the continuance of the old friendship with the guardian of the Black Sea gate.

Since that gate, in its turn, is guarded from without by the Allied navies it might possibly be deduced, once again, that the Soviet's larger interests, like those of Turkey, lie on the side of France and Britain rather than on the side of Germany. There are, however, more immediate considerations which probably weigh with the Kremlin. These concern the Balkans.

BALKANS CONSOLIDATION

Since the outbreak of war there has been a marked effort by the Balkan countries to forget old grievances and to unite themselves politically and economically in the first loose structure of a federation. It is interesting to see that Hungary is taking part in these conversations and has gone far towards accommodations with Rumania and Yugoslavia. Turkey throughout the summer has been encouraging these tendencies.

In the last week it has been broadly hinted from Rome that Italy, with direct Balkan interests since her annexation of Albania, is working for the same ends. While it is too early to say that Turkey and Italy will thereby become reconciled as collaborators, there is an encouraging trend of opinion in both capitals pointing in that direction. One does not yet know how this fits in or may conflict with Soviet plans.

If it be true that Russia has now gained most of her objects and that these are limited to increasing her own security in the west, she may be content to see others consolidating the Balkans, so long as Germany is excluded. On the other hand there are those who believe that the Kremlin has ambitions to dominate the Balkans itself, and will guarantee Balkan frontiers only when these have been varied in the Russian interest.

Indications from Moscow suggest that the military leaders, as was to be expected, have gained increased authority since the mobilisation and operations conducted during the war. Negotiations with Finland are proving difficult and this suggests that the Kremlin, without much regard for the terms of the Soviet-Finnish treaty of 1932, which runs until 1945, are pressing for a military alliance which would be incompatible with Finnish neutrality. On the other hand commercial discussions between the British and Soviet Governments are proceeding. In a rather encouraging atmosphere, while German mortification over the surrender of the Baltic to Russia again seems to belie existence of a good Russo-German understanding.

It will be wisest to defer judgment on these complicated matters until fuller information is available. There is, however, another development during the past week which so far has passed little noticed. It may become of considerable importance. Hitler, it has been stated from several quarters, is now obsessed with plans for large-scale movements of population in Europe.

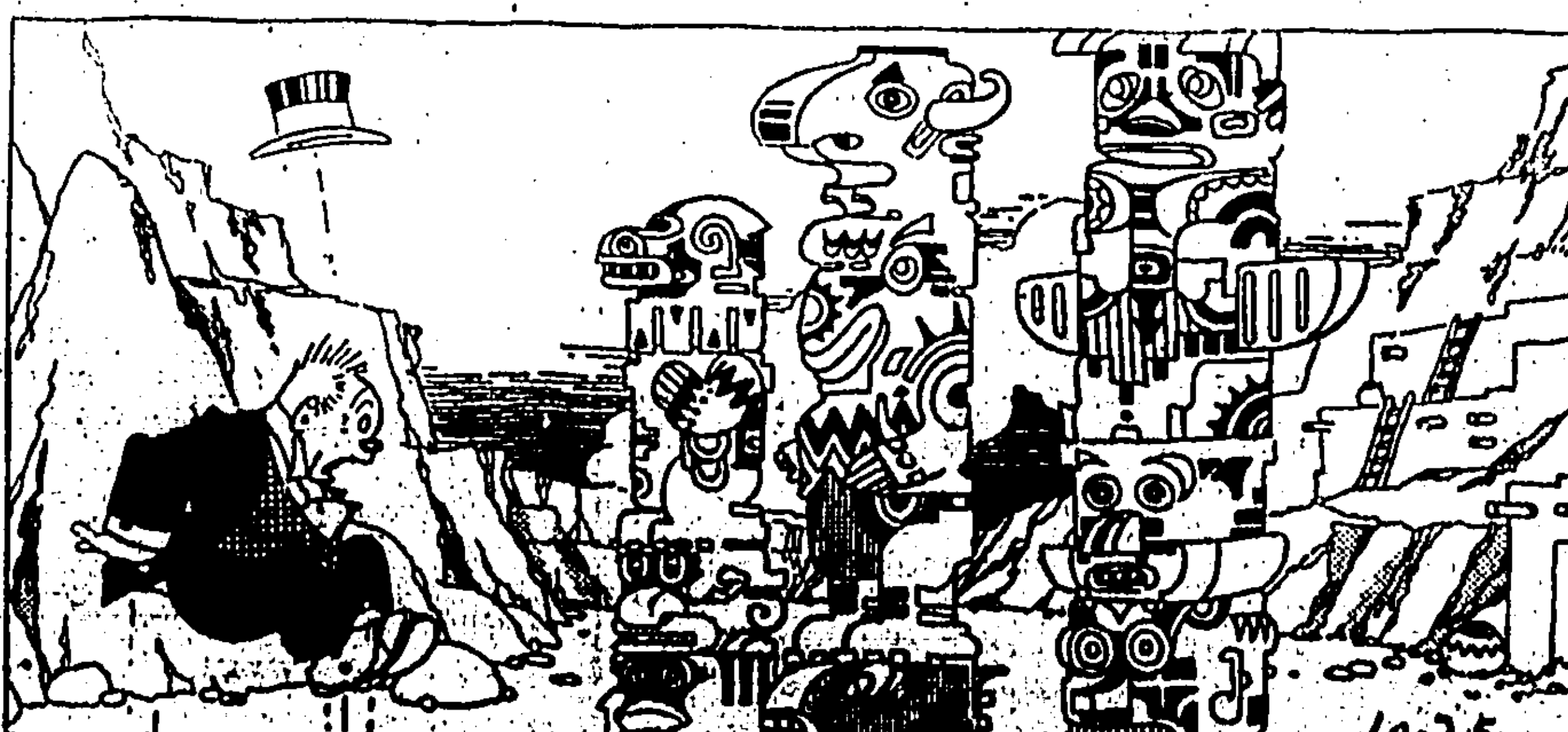
MASS MIGRATION PLAN

Withdrawal of German minorities from the Baltic States may be the prelude to similar action in respect of other European countries. It seems that von Ribbentrop in his last talk with Stalin stressed this aspect of Hitler's plans. I have heard it reported that he even went so far as to explain that Hitler contemplated removing the whole of the German Rhineland population from the left bank of the Rhine to the right "in order to remove the last basis for friction between Germany and France."

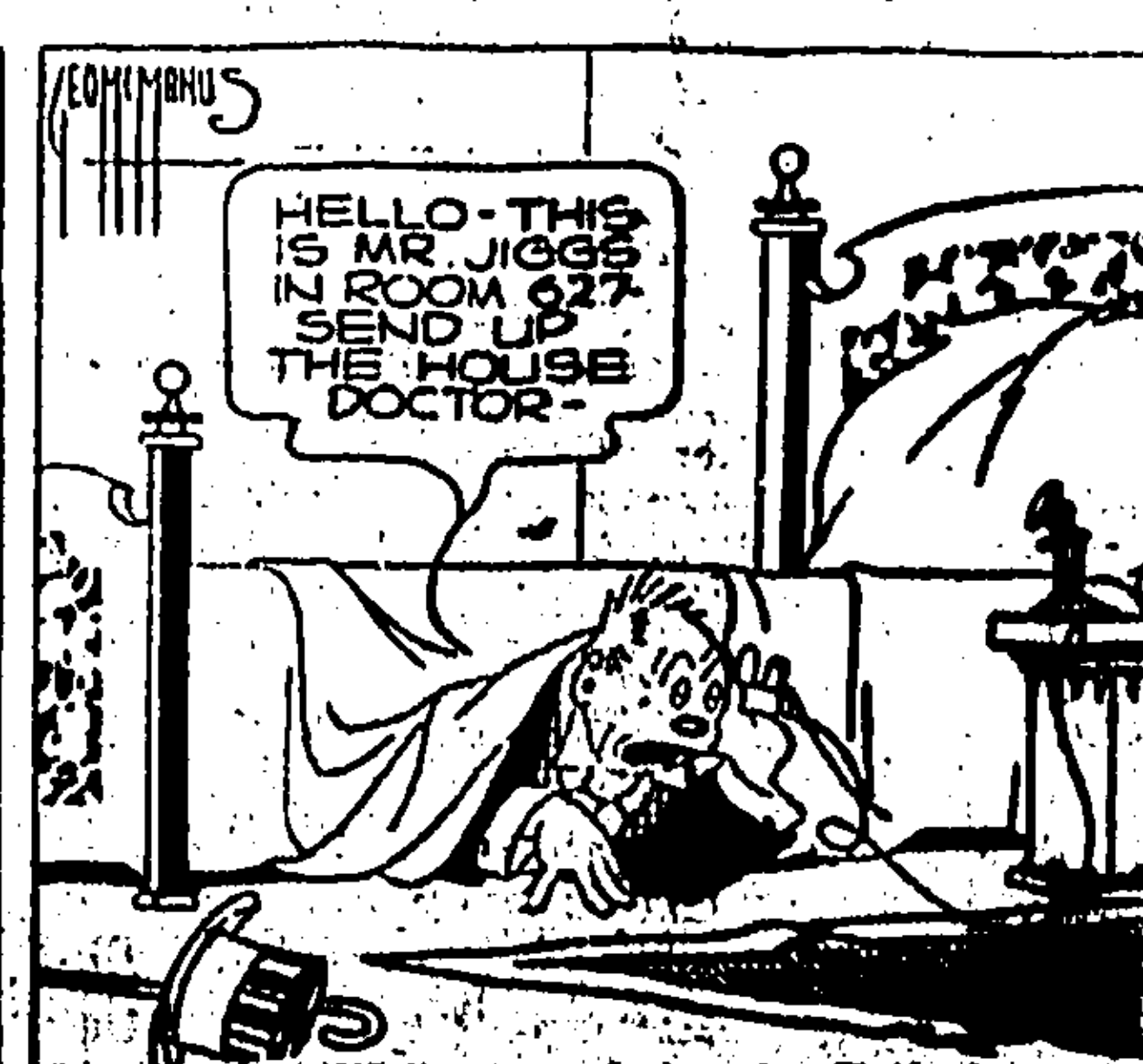
Last week a German delegation arrived in Moscow to discuss plans for exchanges of population. We do not yet know the full scope of these negotiations. I can state,

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Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



POLISH RELIEF FUND NEAR EXHAUSTION

London, To-day.

A large part of the £100,000 granted to His Majesty's Government for the relief of Polish refugees in Hungary and Rumania has already been used, in response to urgent appeals.

The Government's fund is being employed mainly to provide warm winter clothing for the many thousands of refugees who left Poland in September last in only the lightest summer wear.

Already 100,000 shirts and 3,000 overcoats have been bought by the Government, and are on the way.

A further 10,000 overcoats, 3,000 jackets, 2,500 waistcoats, 4,500 pairs of trousers, and 3,000 pairs of boots are waiting to be shipped to Rumania and Hungary at the first opportunity.

FLANNELETTE SHIRTS

Two hundred thousand yards of flannelette have also been purchased by voluntary workers in all parts of England under the auspices of the Central Services Supply Committee of the British Red Cross Society and the Order of St. John of Jerusalem, and the material will be made up into shirts.

The British Government's grant is being administered by the Foreign Office, with the assistance of the Office of Works, the Post Office Stores Department, the Ministry of Health and the Crown Agents of the Colonies.

The closest liaison with the Polish relief fund has been established in order to prevent overlapping. — Reuter.

TURKEY'S PACT WITH ALLIES A BLOW TO GERMAN EXPANSION

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however, that Hitler has a plan in mind for building a great Middle European State, peopled only with persons of Teutonic stock and making room for them by shifting large blocks of non-German population to other parts of the world. It is apparently proposed, for example, to transfer the 10,000,000 Czechs to Russia and Siberia, taking their lands and their industries for Germans "brought home" from other countries. Probably the same plans exist for the Polish territories.

To transfer 20,000,000 Poles to Russia would be a tall order to press upon the host-nation, whose country even now is unable to feed all its own people adequately. This probably explains reports from Berlin that a small "Polish reserve" is to be formed into which the unfortunate Poles are to be herded and retained.

There are certain significant aspects of this scheme which cannot, however, be ignored. By withdrawing troublesome German minorities from Balkan and other countries Hitler hopes to acquire foreign exchange in respect of their surrendered properties. He further calculates that the Governments relieved of these minorities will, in gratitude, pledge friendship to Germany for a term of years.

LARGE-SCALE GERMANY

By concentrating all these Germans in the middle of Europe he aims to build up a State of some 350,000 square miles in area — nearly double the area of post-Versailles Germany — which later will make him master of the Continent. All this he hopes to do — immune from interference — while holding the Allies at bay on the Western Front. When the task is finished he will proclaim to the world that he has solved Europe's problems which lead to wars.

Even should Germany suffer defeat in the present war he reckons that he will have made it impossible for the Allies to rebuild the former European States.

Such is the plan, fantastic to the normal mind, but calculated, it is said, to make a certain appeal to the German admiration for clever "planning." Like most German plans, it overlooks the human element.

MR. HULL DEFENDS TRADE PACT POLICY

Washington, To-day.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, at his daily press conference yesterday sharply criticised the attacks made in Congress recently on the Administration's reciprocal trade programme.

Replying to a question as regards suggestions that the United States trade agreements should be allowed to lapse when they expired next June, Mr. Hull asserted they were the chief cornerstone of world peace.

He said there had been a great deal of misconstruing and misrepresentation in regard to the basic features of the programme, which was designed to increase domestic employment and meet extreme economic conditions.

TRADE AND PEACE

He emphasised that as usual he would consult Congressional leaders before making a public stand in regard to renewal of trade agreements, but well-informed quarters saw in his statement an additional indication that the Administration wants to retain its trade programme as the basis for lasting peace when the war ends. — Reuter.

V.C.S ARE EAGER TO SERVE AGAIN

Now that there is a prospect of "a bit of a do" for the B.E.F. on the Western Front, a certain trio of Lancashire lads are straining at the leash. They are feeling the urge to have "another packets."

They are Manchester V.C.s of the Great War, heroes in their day and generation, now almost forgotten by the crowds who once honoured and feted them.

Two of them, Sergeant George Stringer, of the 1st Manchester Regiment, and Corporal Jack White, of the King's Liverpool Regiment, are grousing because they are too old for the Army.

The third, Major Harry Kelly, of the West Ridings, now landlord of the Liverpool Arms Hotel, Beaumaris, Anglesey, has applied to the War Office for enrolment in the Officers' Reserve.

"I'm fifty and they won't take me at any price, though. I still think I could do my bit," is ex-Sergeant Stringer's grouse. He works at Newton-street branch of Manchester G.P.O., and is known as the Postman V.C.

White, now forty-seven, offered his services to a balloon barrage unit months before the war started, but there were certain difficulties. Now he has his own business to manage.

But sometimes he gets restless and feels he ought to be back in khaki again.

WHITE LODGE, HOSPITAL ?

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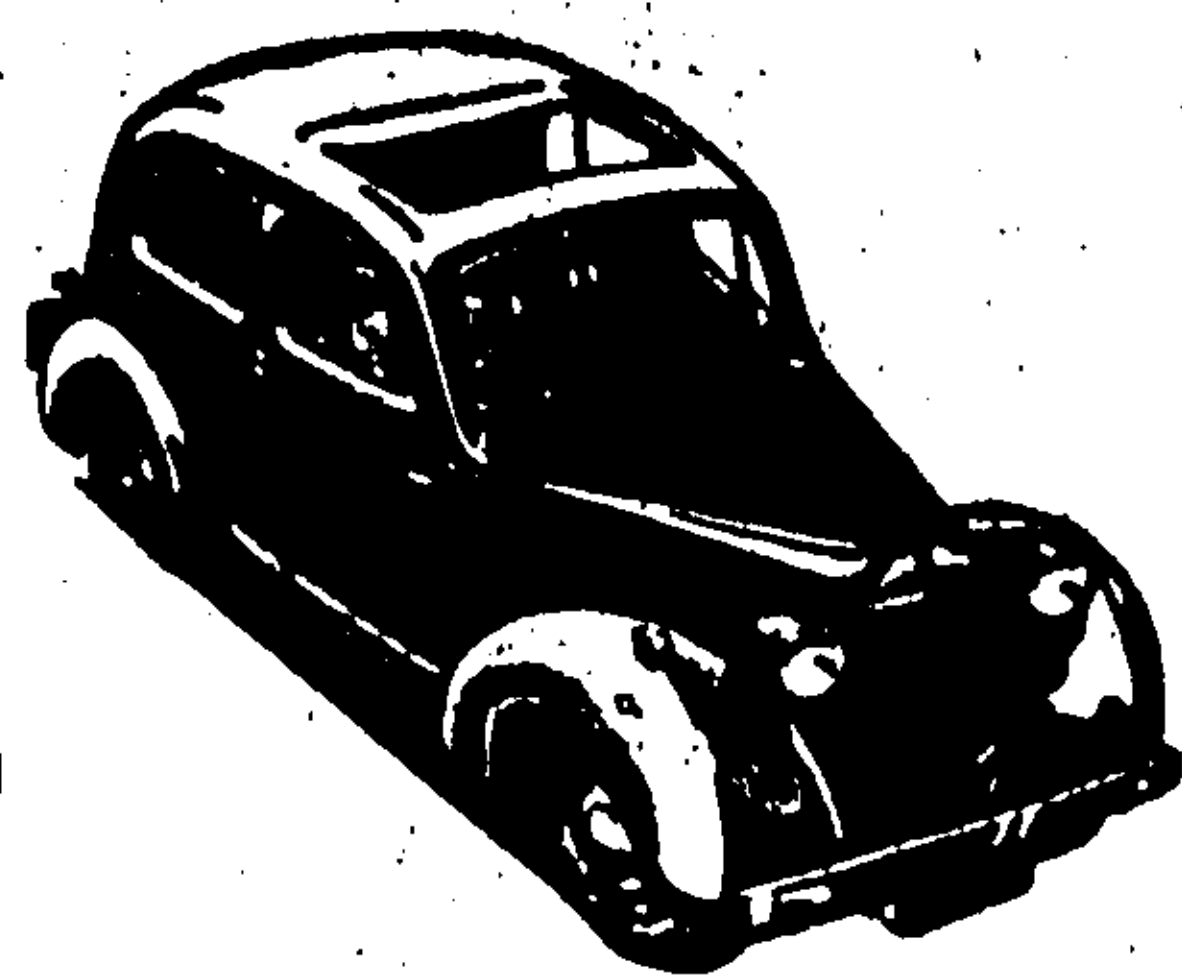
The lodge was built in the eighteenth century by George II, and has been the property of the State ever since.

Mrs. Reynolds Albertini, the present occupier, is the wife of a wealthy American and sister of film star Reginald Denny. She is waiting to hear the Government's decision.

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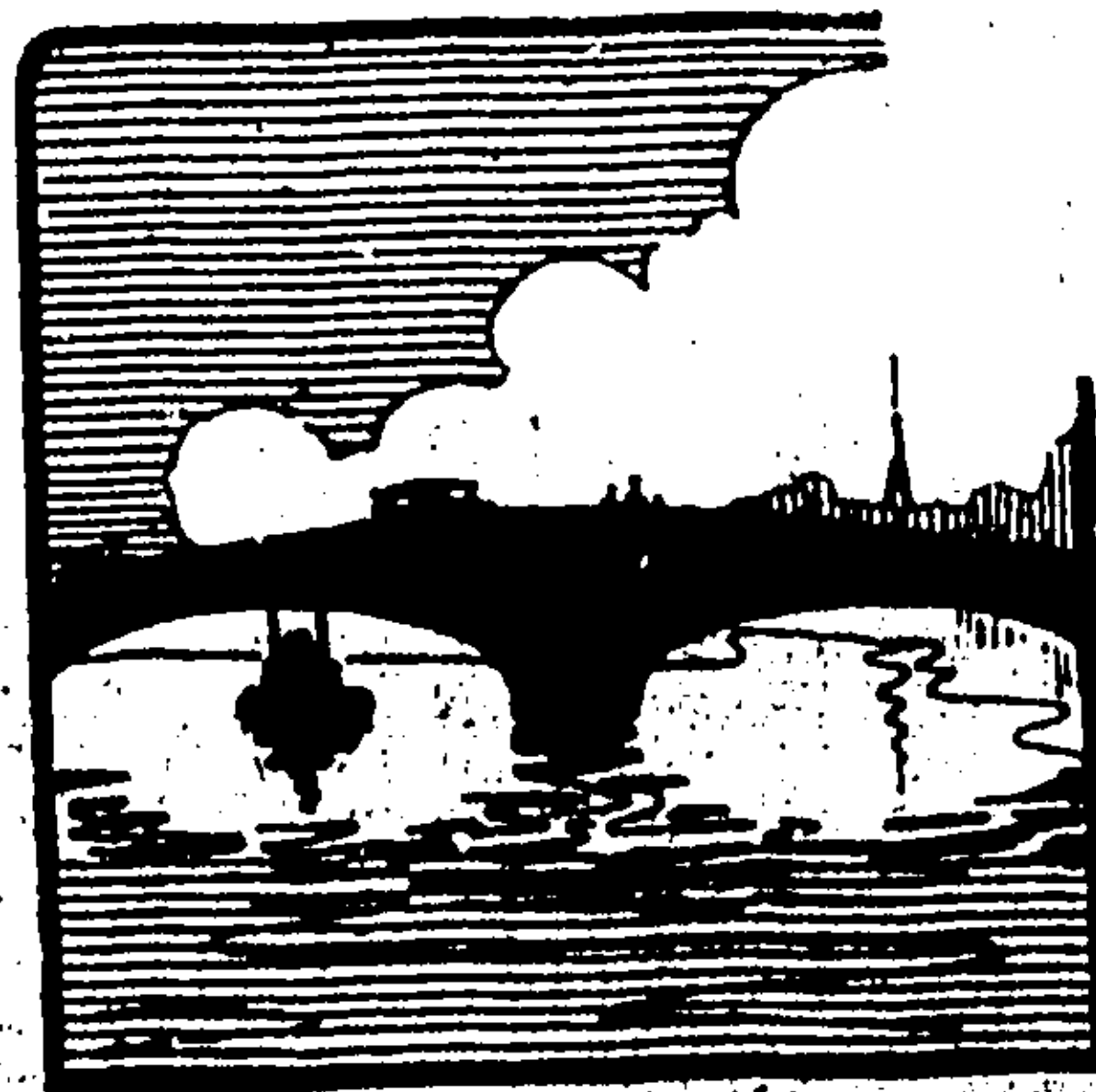
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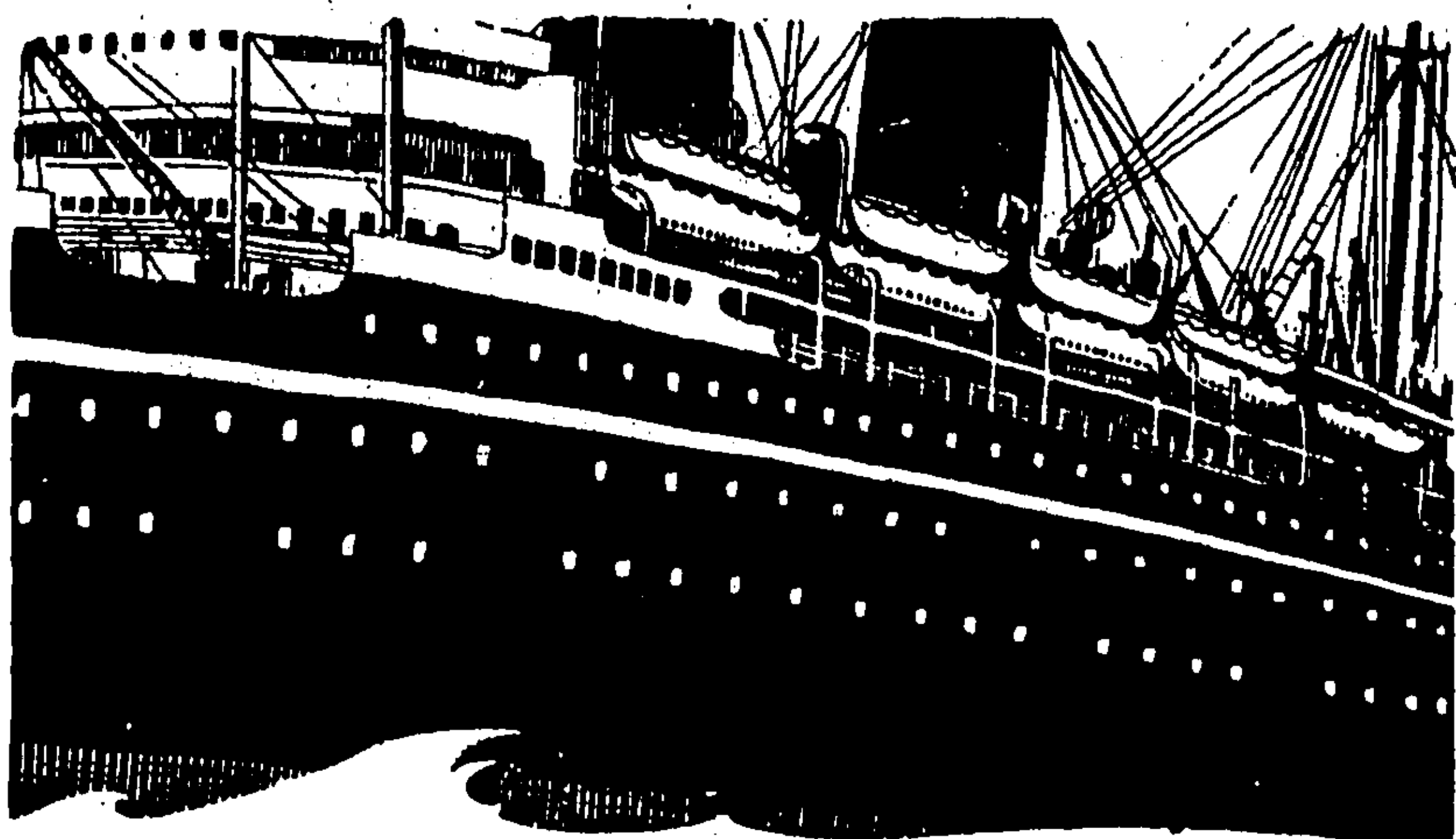
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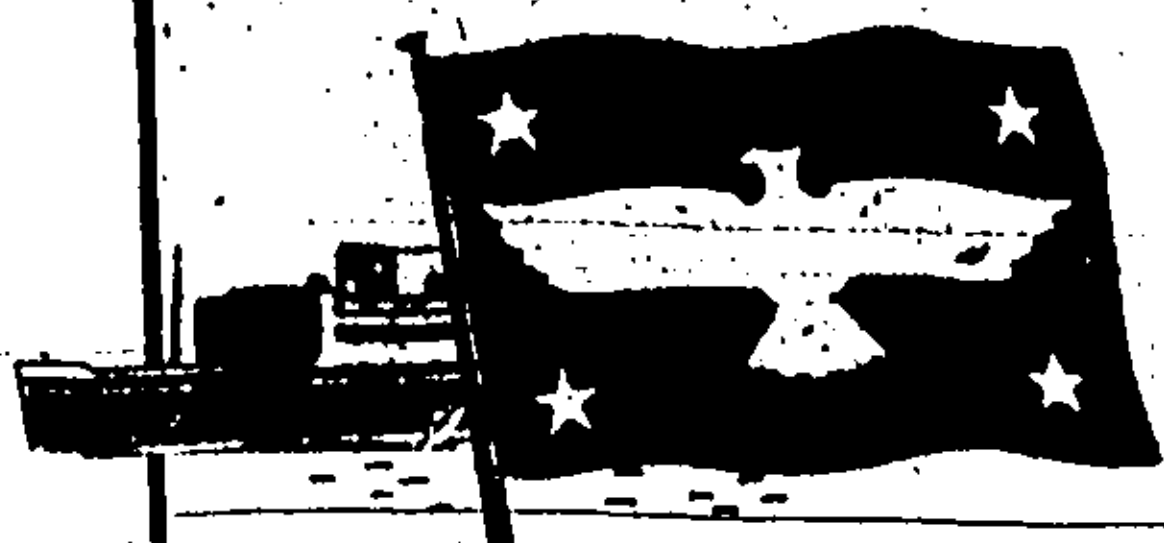
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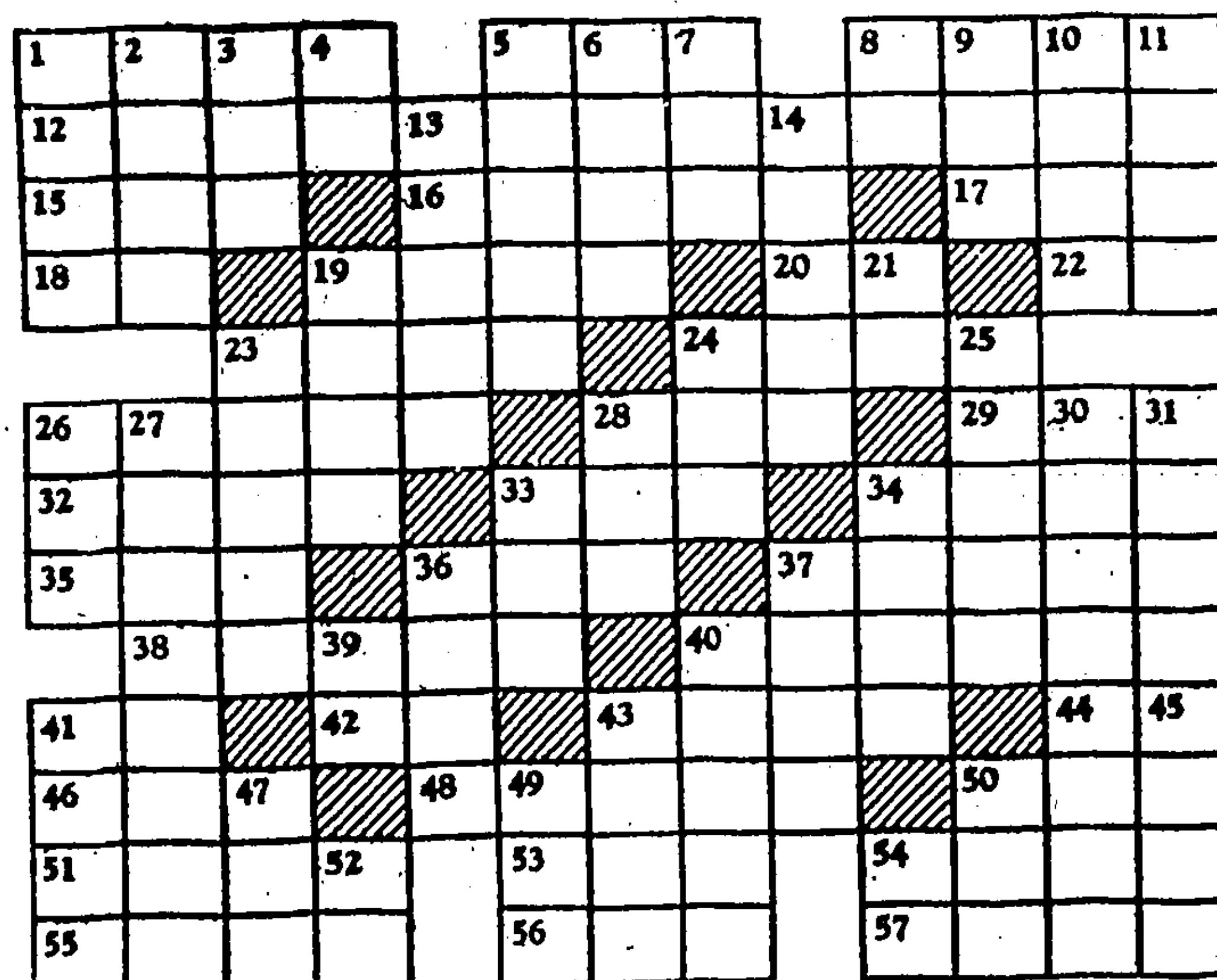
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- 26 To suppose
- 28 Craggy hill
- 29 Manner
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- 33 Abyss
- 34 Twining stem
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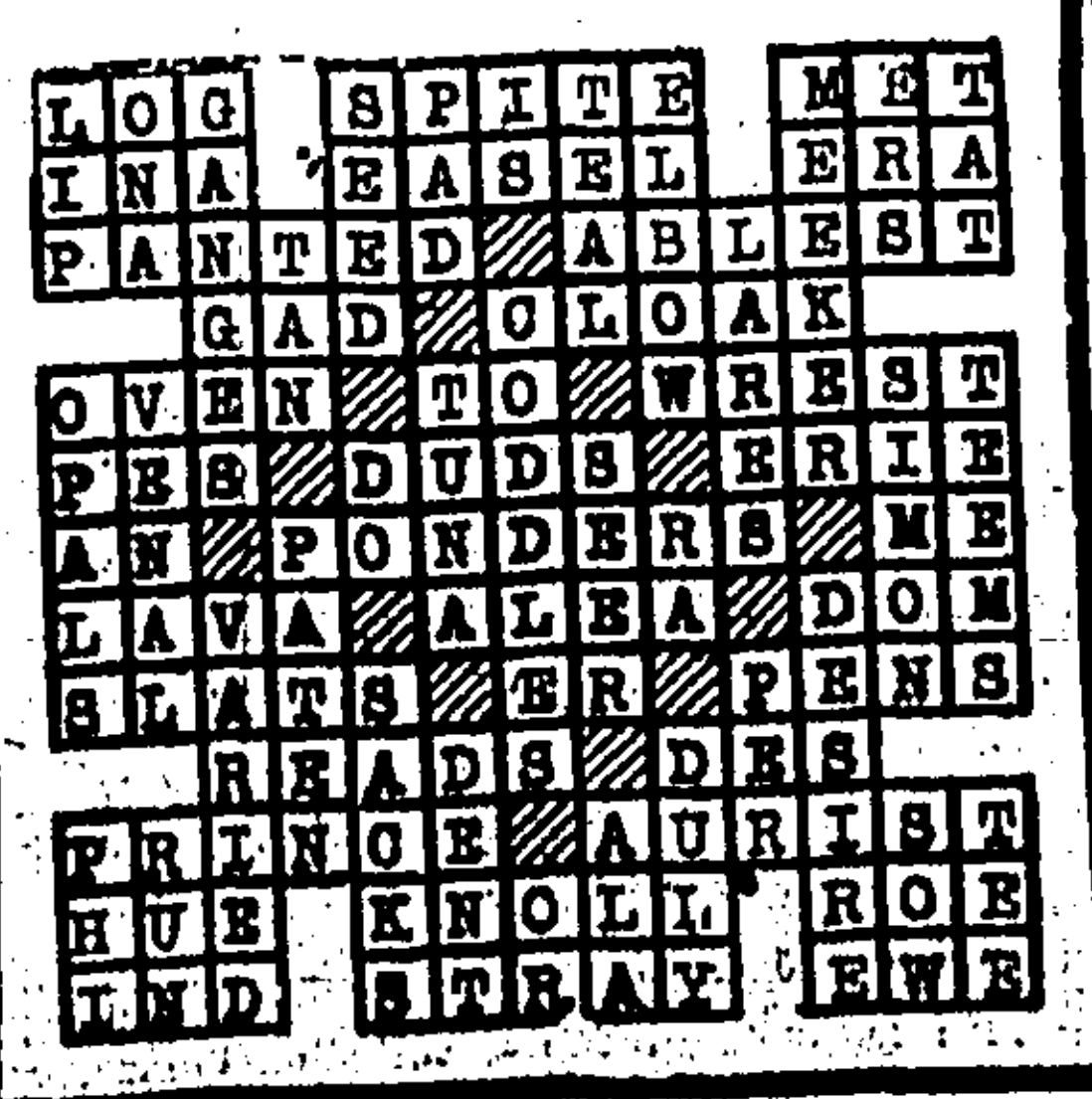
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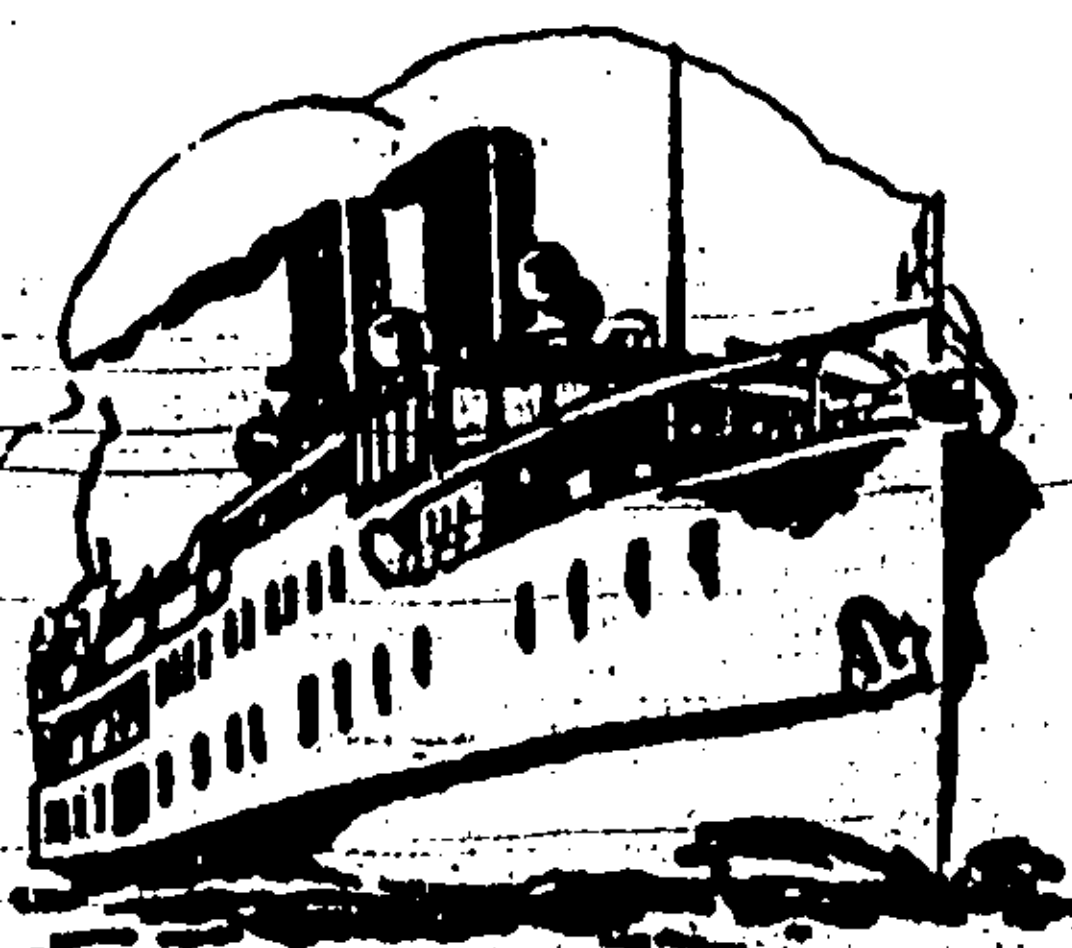
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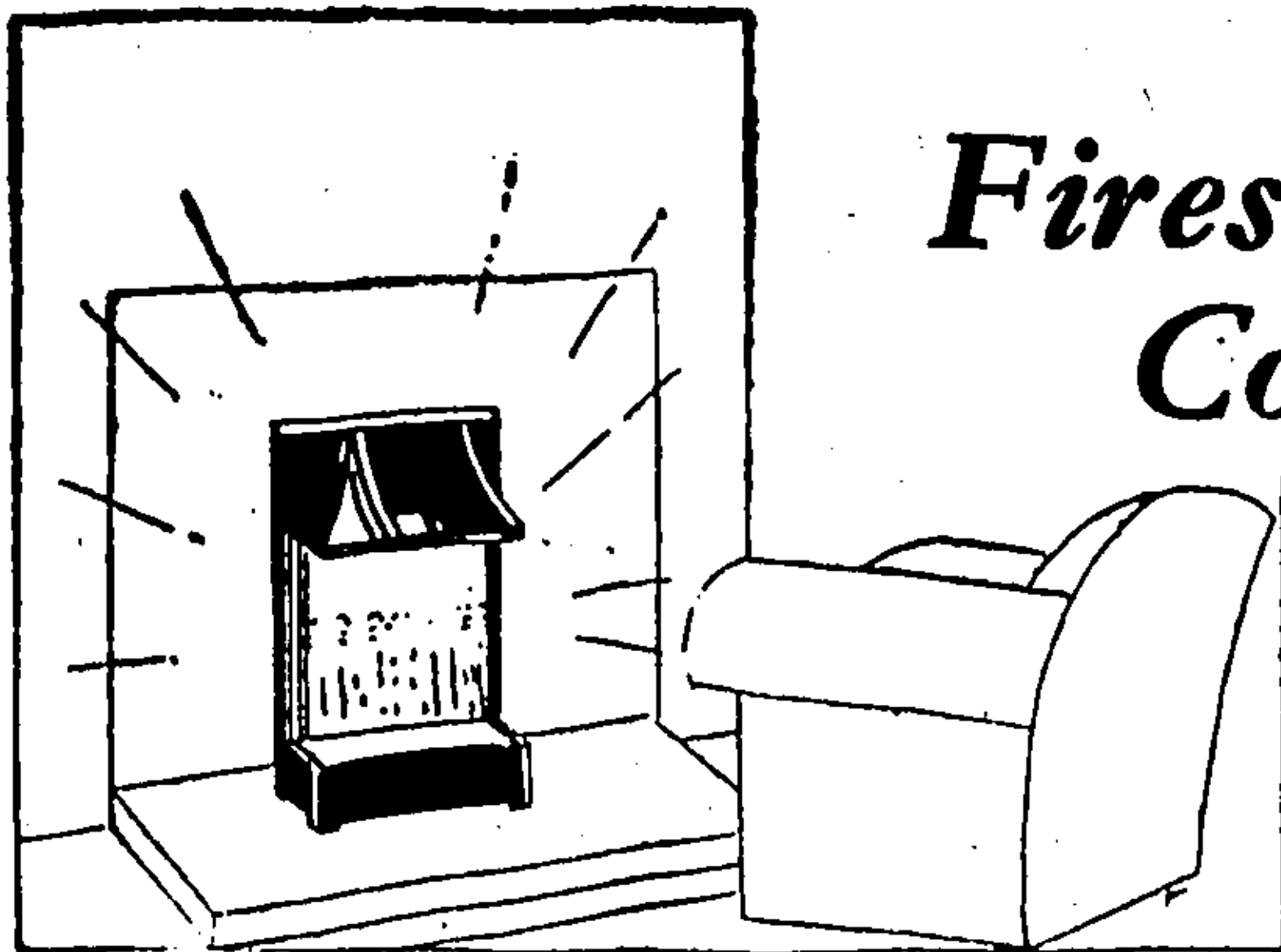
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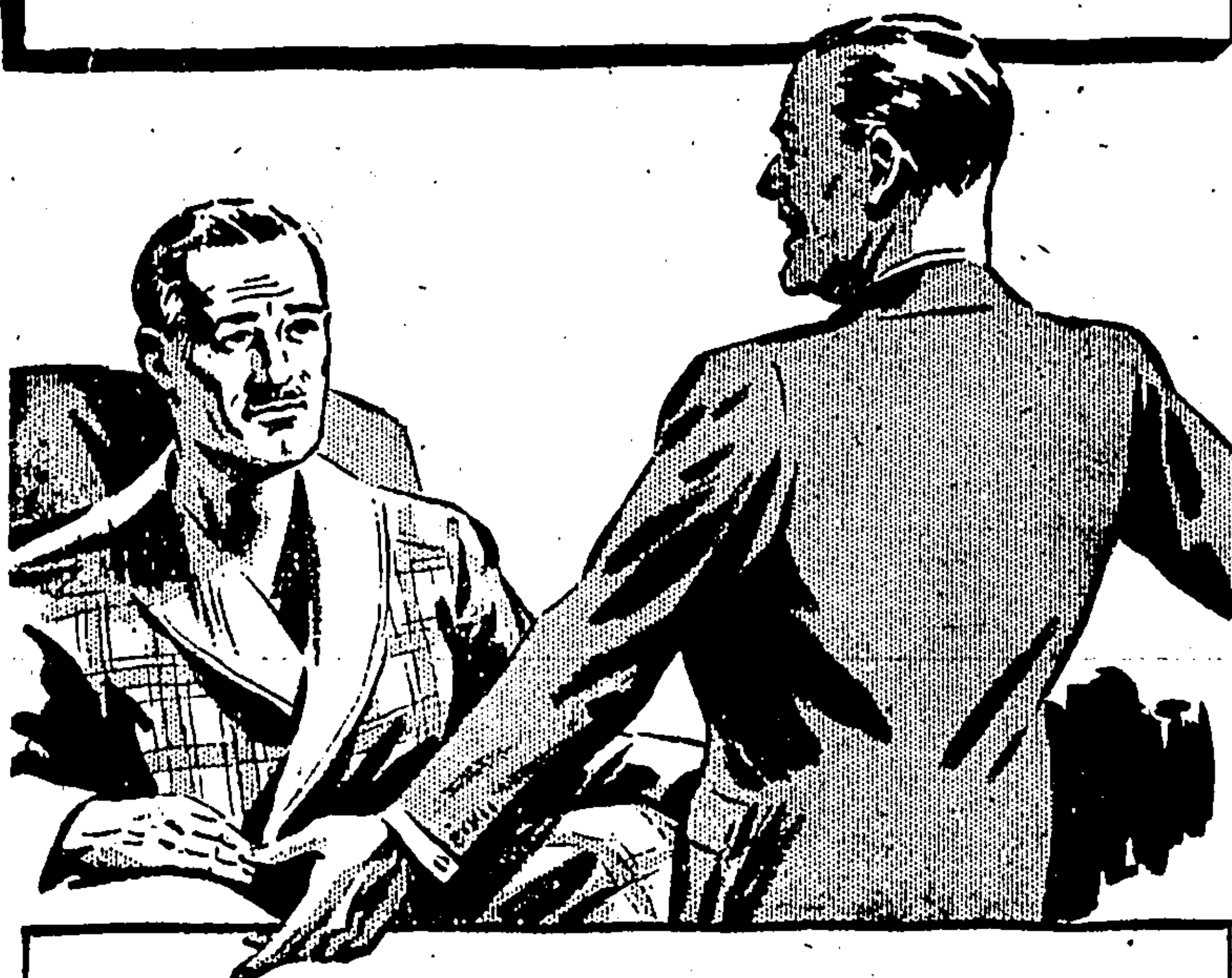
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In the jungle stronghold of J. Carrol Naish, the "King of the River," Broderick Crawford and Eric Blore threaten Anna May Wong and Nalsh with death. Will he pull the trigger? For the answer, see the new Paramount drama, "Island of Lost Men," opening to-morrow at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

NAZIS MADE FILM OF "U-BOAT RAID" TRUE

Realising that the plot of the British film "Spy in Black" resembled the recent German submarine raid on Scapa Flow, America has re-titled the picture "U-Boat 29," and has released it as a red-hot topical production.

It is now repeating in the United States the success it achieved in England.

When nearly a year ago film producer Irving Asher decided to make "Spy in Black," he had little idea that he was anticipating history.

For the plot of this exciting thriller concerns a German U-boat commander who forces his way into Scapa Flow with the object of torpedoing British battleships at anchor.

"WE CAN GET THROUGH"

I reviewed this film at its premiere at the Odeon, W., some weeks ago, and remember one impressive scene so splendidly acted by Conrad Veidt as the U-boat commander.

In the middle of the North Sea he opens sealed orders and says to his officers: "Gentlemen, we are to proceed to Scapa Flow. Our course lies through a thickly sown minefield—it's a big job and a dangerous one, but we can get through."

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Then follows a tense sequence showing the skipper following a chart and safely avoiding the protecting booms and mines.

"Hold her at 80ft." says Veidt, as the steel ship creeps through the dark and weedy depths.

Then silence until his fervently expressed: "Well, gentlemen we're through. Let's take her up. Whoever provided this chart deserves the Iron Cross."

RUSH TO BUY DIAMONDS

Diamonds, like silk stockings are going up in price. Wealthy Americans are the principal buyers. They are buying on a big scale.

When the United States neutrality laws are changed and even greater prosperity reaches that country the buying is expected to become hectic.

Unlike stockings, however, the gems are not being bought for personal adornment.

They are simply purchased and stored. Diamonds are regarded as the best hedge against currency depreciation. It was so during the last war.

Soon after the end of the Great War in 1918 diamonds were all the rage.

Gold as a symbol of wealth had to take second place to them until the trade slump came along and they had to be sold regardless of price.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE LESSON SERMON

SUBJECT—"ANCIENT AND MODERN NECROMANCY, ALIAS MESMERISM AND HYPNOTISM; DENOUNCED."

The subject of the Lesson Sermon in all Christian Science Churches to-morrow, November 26th will be "Ancient and Modern Necromancy, alias Mesmerism and Hypnotism, Denounced."

The Golden Text will be:—"When they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God?" (Isa. 8:19).

Among others the following citations will be read from the Bible:—"The Lord hath broken the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers. The Lord of hosts hath sworn, saying, Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as I have purposed, so shall it stand. For the Lord of hosts hath purposed and who shall disannul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?" (Isa. 14:5, 24, 27).

The following citations will also be read from the Christian Science Text-book, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures, by Mary Baker Eddy:—"As named in Christian Science Animal Magnetism or hypnotism is the specific term for error, or mortal mind. That mortal mind claims to govern every organ of the mortal body, we have overwhelming proof. But this so-called mind is a myth, and must by its own consent yield to Truth. 'It would wield the sceptre of a monarch, but it is powerless.' The immortal, divine Mind takes away, all its supposed sovereignty, and saves mortal mind from itself." (Pages 103, 151).

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TO-DAY'S STRANGE STORY OF REAL PEOPLE

CASE OF THE HOWLING DOG

BY GEORGE BARTON

North Jersey was up in arms on November 9, 1910, when the body of pretty Marie Smith was found beneath the brush in a small stretch of woodland not far from Asbury Park. Her skull had been crushed and there was evidence that she had been brutally attacked on her way home from school. Raymond Schindler, the detective who took charge of the case, found that the local police had "Black" Diamond under suspicion. He was a man who did odd jobs in that part of the country and at dusk of that fateful day he had been seen emerging from the woods with dead leaves clinging to his clothing. His defense was that he had been drunk and had gone into the woods to sleep off his jag.

In the meantime, Detective Schindler found that there were just sixteen homes between Marie's school and her house and that among these only three men had been at home during the period when the murder was supposed to have been committed. One of these was Frank Heidemann, a gardener employed in the greenhouses of Max Krushka, an Asbury Park florist. Heidemann knew Marie, and was one of the searching party that had gone into the woods to look for her.

Schindler resolved to try an experiment on Heidemann, and to be guided by the result. This was the test of "the howling dog". The detective planted two of his men near the Krushka greenhouses, and early every morning had throw stones at the watch dog. The result was a series of mournful howls that sounded like death wails. This was continued for a week.

At the end of that time, Heidemann packed up his belongings and shook the dust of New Jersey from his feet. He was traced to a lodging house in New York city. It was discovered that he took his meals at a little German restaurant and that he lived a very lonely life. He was extremely nervous and there were dark rings under his eyes.

One night while the suspect was eating in the restaurant, a newcomer walked in and sat down at the same table. He pulled out a German newspaper, the New York Staats-Zeitung and seemed to be absorbed in its contents. Night after night, he repeated the performance. Finally, the expected happened. Heidemann, yearning to talk to some one, accosted the stranger. It was the beginning of an intimacy between the two Germans. They exchanged confidences and presently became room-mates.

Heidemann was happier than he had been for many weeks. He thought he knew the other man well, but there was one important thing he did not know and that was that the real name of his "friend" was Joseph Neumeister and that he was a detective planted there in order to learn the truth about the murder of Marie Smith.

When the time seemed ripe, a special edition of the Staats-Zeitung was printed with a story on the first page saying that the police had found a hammer that might be connected with the murder of Marie Smith and were anxious to question one Frank Heidemann about it.

That same night, Heidemann was taken into custody as a material witness. Now Schindler, who had been gathering shreds of evidence here and there, was prepared for his final move. He had a special edition of an Asbury Park newspaper printed stating that Heidemann was to be formally accused of the murder of Marie Smith and itemizing twelve points on which the police were working.

It seemed the most natural thing in the world that Neumeister should call on the prisoner and show him a copy of the paper. Heidemann broke down and began to weep. He wanted to know what he should do. The detective, in the guise of a solicitous friend, suggested that they go over the twelve points, one at a time,



"The 'Friend' Offers to Destroy The Evidence."

and decide how they should be answered. He said that if he were told where to find the hammer with which the murder had been committed he could go and see that it was destroyed.

As a result, Heidemann opened his heart to his fellow German and told him many things. When Neumeister left the cell of the accused man, he went direct to the office of Detective

Schindler and repeated all he had heard. Schindler then hurried to the suspect's cell.

"Heidemann," he exclaimed dramatically, "the jig is up and you might as well come clean and confess that you murdered Marie Smith."

Heidemann was too stunned for words. He finally opened his mouth and in a whisper said: "I don't know what you are talking about."

"Oh yes you do. And if you want to know how I know I'll refer you to your roommate—the man who has been with you the last four weeks."

"What do you mean?"

"I mean that you have been sleeping and eating and living with a detective."

"I-I don't believe it," stammered the culprit.

"Well, maybe I can convince you," was the retort.

Thereupon, Schindler, item by item told of every move Heidemann had made, told of every word he had spoken from the day he was driven from New Jersey by the hideous cries of the howling dog. It was so complete and so overwhelming that Heidemann broke down and admitted that he was beaten. He called for paper and, in the presence of witnesses, wrote these fateful words: "This is to certify that I, the undersigned murdered Marie Smith at Asbury Park, N. J., November 9th."

Heidemann was convicted of murder in the first degree and was sentenced to death. He sat in his cell, stolid, sullen and silent waiting for the fateful day. Just before he was led to the death house he was asked if he had a last wish. Then and then only he broke silence to say that all he wished was to have a few minutes alone with the man whose ingenuity had caused him to confess. But he did not get his wish.



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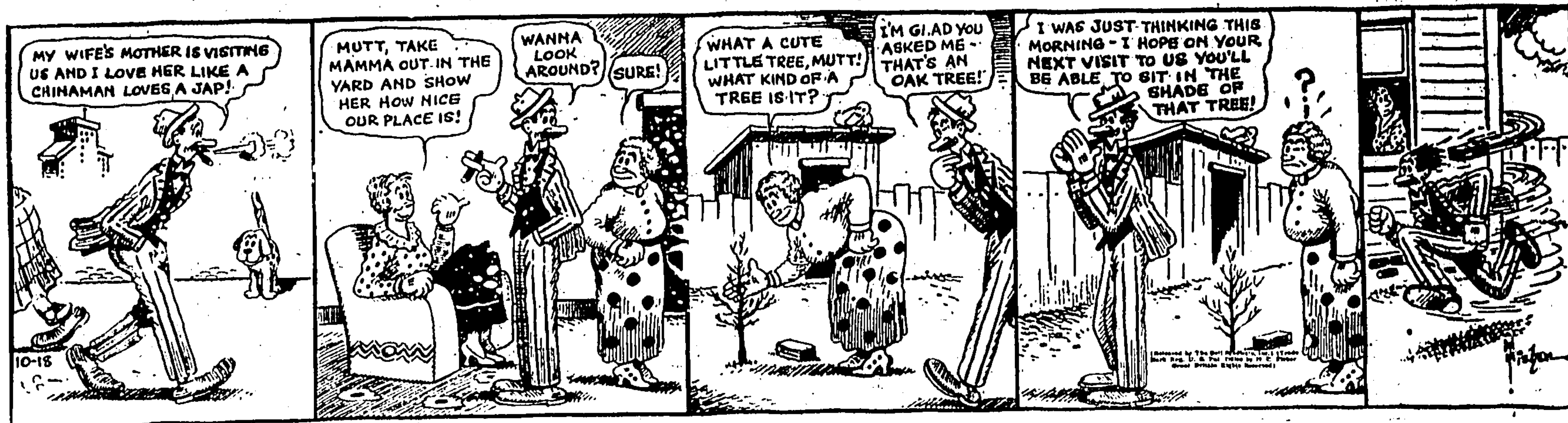
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1.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dance Music.
1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press, Weather Forecast and Announcements.
1.45 p.m.—Variety with Gracie Fields, Gerry Moore, Jack Buchanan, and Henry Jacques & His Orchestra.
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Piano—Hold My Hand—Quickstep; Heart and Soul—Slow Fox-Trot (film 'A Song is Born').... Gerry Moore.
Fox-Trot—I'm Just Beginning To

Care; Waltz—I'm Still In Love With You.... Henry Jacques with His Correct Dance Tempo Orch.
2.15 p.m.—Close down.
6.00 p.m.—Dvorak—Symphony No. 2 in D Minor, Op. 70. Czech Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Václav Talich.
6.38 p.m.—Songs by Dino Borgioli (Tenor).
Songs My Mother Taught Me (Dvorak); Morgen (R. Strauss, Op. 27, No. 4).... with Ivor Newton at the Piano.

Vocal—Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs—Vocal Gems.... Chorus and Orchestra directed by Jay Wilbur.
Comedian—Chirrup (Blain); The Bee Song (Blain).... Arthur Askey with Piano.
Comedy Sketch—Motoring (Harry Tate).... Harry Tate and Company.
Slow Fox-Trot—They Say (Heyman & Others).... Carroll Gibbons & the Savoy Hotel Orpheans.
Vocal—Canoe Song (film 'Sanders of the River').... Paul Robeson (Bass) with Orchestra.
Waltz—Honolulu Moon.... Hilo Hawaiian Orchestra.
Vocal—Rose-Marie (from the film).... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Slow Fox-Trot—Poor Butterfly.... Victor Silvester's Ballroom Orch.
Fox-Trot—On Linger Longer Island.... Jack Harris & His Orchestra.
Orch.—Deep Purple (De Rose).... Geraldo & His Orch. with Vocal.

6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
6.47 p.m.—Violin Recital by Natan Milstein.
La Campanella (Rondo from 'Concerto No. 2 in B Minor'—Paganini); Nocturne in C Sharp Minor (Chopin); Consolation (No. 3—Liszt).

7.00 p.m.—Latest Variety.
Orch.—Parade Of The Pirates (Bratton); Under The Balcony (Heykens).... Alfredo Campoli & His Orchestra.
Vocal—I'll Stay With You (from 'There Goes the Bride'); One Little Kiss From You (film 'The Midshipmaid').... Jessie Matthews (Soprano) with Orchestra.

Piano Duets—Waltz Dream—Selection (O. Strauss); The Lilt Of Lehar—Medley.... Rawicz & Landauer.
Orch.—Gipsy Idylle (arr. Ferraris); Hungarian Melodies (Leopold).... Constantine Vladescu (Cymballum Virtuoso) & His Gipsy Orchestra.
Orch.—Amphitryon—Waltz (Amberg & Others).... Orchestra Mascotte.

7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Request Variety Programme.

Fox-Trot—The Donkey's Sirenade (film 'The Firefly').... Jay Wilbur & His Band.
Vocal—Rainbow On The River (from the film).... Bobby Breen.
Fox-Trot—Music, Maestro, Please (from 'These Foolish Things').... Henry Jacques & His Strict Dance Tempo Orchestra.

Vocal—March of the Grenadiers (film 'The Love Parade'); Dream Lover (film 'The Love Parade').... Jeannette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orchestra.

9.05 p.m.—Studio—Comments on Recent Events.
9.13 p.m.—Local sport results.
9.15 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—Flotsam & Jetsam with the B.B.C. Orchestra.
10.00 p.m.—London Relay—Talk for India by Sir N. Zafrulla Khan, Member of Council for Government of India.
10.30 p.m.—More Requests.
Overture "Light Cavalry" (Suppe).... The B.B.C. Symphony Orchestra conducted by Adrian Boult.
Vocal—La Danza (Rossini).... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra and Chorus.
Orch.—The Skaters—Waltz (Gung'l).... Marek Weber & His Orch.
Orch.—Salut D'Amour (Elgar).... New Light Symphony Orchestra.
Vocal—Love's Old Sweet Song (Molloy).... Nelson Eddy (Baritone) with Orchestra.
Orch.—Le Chaland Qui Passe (Bixio).... Albert Sandler & His Orchestra.
Vocal—Ah! Sweet Mystery of Life (film 'Naughty Marietta'); Italian Street Song (film 'Naughty Marietta').... Jeanette MacDonald (Soprano) with Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—London Relay—"London Log".
11.15 p.m.—London Relay—Association Soccer—Newall v. Arsenal. Commentary on Second Half of the game by Thomas Woodruffe.
12.00 Midnight.—Close down.

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♠ Q 8 3
♥ 7 5
♦ J 10 8 6 4 2
♣ K 7

Mr. Fry

♠ 7 4
♥ Q 10 9 8
♦ 6 3
♣ K 5
Q 9 2

♠ K J 9 6 2
♥ K 4
♦ Q 7
♣ J 8 5 3

♠ A 10 5
♥ A J 2
♦ A 9 3
♣ A 10 6 4

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1NT	Pass	2♦	Pass
3NT	Pass	Pass	Pass

Mr. Fry opened the ten of hearts. East played the King and South won the first trick with the Ace. Declarer now pondered long and earnestly. He might lead a club to dummy's King (the only sure re-entry), then lead a diamond from dummy and finesse the nine. But on this line of play dummy might become entirely worthless if either opponent held three diamonds. South therefore decided to reserve the club King in dummy as a re-entry and laid down the diamond Ace from his own hand, hoping (1) that he drop a singleton honour in East's hand, or (2) that the suit would be divided with West holding the King.

Mr. Fry did hold the King and one diamond, but when South played the

Ace, he cheerfully sacrificed his King in the desperate hope that his partner would hold the Queen. East then won the second diamond trick with his Queen and led his remaining heart, whereupon Mr. Fry ran off five tricks in that suit.

Of course South was made to look foolish; but if diamonds had been divided differently or Mr. Fry had failed to unblock, Declarer's line of play would have been the winning one.

Yesterday, with both sides vulnerable, you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♠ Q 10 x x x
♥ J x
♦ K x x x
♣ A x

The bidding:

Burnstone	Maier	Schenken	You
1♠	Pass	Pass	(?)

ANSWER:—Your correct bid is to pass. Although partner evidently has some strength, his hand is probably balanced, and it would be best to try to beat the opponent's one-spade contract. A double will be taken out. Score 100% for pass, 50% for double or one notrump.

QUESTION NO. 267

You are Howard Schenken's partner to-day. Both sides are vulnerable and both sides have 50 on score. You hold:

♠ K 10
♥ A x x
♦ K J x x
♣ Q 10 x x

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	Burnstone	You
Pass	Pass	1NT	Dbl.
2♥	2♠	3♥	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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Last Season's Leaders To Meet This Afternoon

UNIVERSITY TO ENTERTAIN C.C.C.

(By "ADREM")

A POINTER AS TO the respective current strengths of the two most powerful teams in the Senior Cricket League last season should be provided this afternoon when Kowloon Cricket Club, runners-up, entertain Club de Recreio, the champions.

Both teams are treating this fixture with great seriousness in view of the great moral effect a win or a loss would have when the League match is played later in the season, and both clubs are fielding their strongest possible sides.

Recreio are more or less at full strength but Kowloon will be without F. Goodwin, who bowled so well again Army a short while back, N. A. E. Mackay and G. C. Burnett. Their attack will be strengthened by R. E. Lee, who, however, is sadly lacking in practice.

It will be interesting to see if J. Mills, who bowled quite well against Army, will be able to meet with the same success to-day.

A Pokfulam, University will entertain Craigengower. On the first meeting of these teams, University gave quite a creditable performance and although on the face of matters they should do better on their own ground, the fact that most of the Valley team are former Varsity men should offset this advantage.

Following is the programme and some of the teams—

PROGRAMME SENIOR

K. C. C.	v	Recreio
University	v	C. C. C.
C. S. C. C.	v	D. B. S.
I. R. C.	v	H. K. C. C.
C. C. C.	v	R. A. F.
Army	v	Police

K.C.C. 1st XI:—E. C. Fincher, D. J. N. Anderson, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, A. Zimmern, W. L. Rapley, T. A. Madar, D. Hung, R. T. Broadbridge, K. M. Baxter, and J. Mills. Umpire J. P. Robinson; Scorer T. W. Carr.

C.C.C. 1st XI:—E. Zimmern (Capt.), A. R. H. Esmail, F. Zimmern, B. J. Billimoria, A. K. Ismail, A. J. Hulse, W. Hong Sling, C. W. Lam, E. A. Lee, G. Souza, H. P. Lim, Scorer, W. Broadbridge, Umpire, G. Ladd.

H.K.C.C. 2nd XI:—A. K. Mackenzie (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W. E. Bishop, R. S. W. Paterson, J. E. Potter, D. O. Parsons, D. S. Robb, T. M. Sulter, S. J. Cooke, R. M. M. King and A. T. Dow.

C.C.C. 2nd XI:—B. I. Iranee (Capt.), W. K. Way, A. M. Omar, A. H. Esmail, U. Esmail, N. Broadbridge, A. Hung, T. Locke, G. Winch, J. L. Youngsaye, A. B. Hamson, Scorer, H. W. Randall.

Police:—C. Pope (Capt.), P. H. Loughlin, H. Danbrowsky, A. E. Carey, T. R. Hunter, E. Tyffe, J. Lewis, F. Forrest, Y. Tyler, A. Kirby and A. Estael.

Army:—Capt. J. P. Lawrence (R.I.A.S.C.) (Captain), Major J. E. Swyer (R.A.M.C.), Major A. V. Petri (2/East Surrey Regt.), Capt. A. B. Whatman (R. Signals), 2/Lieut. B. A. Fergus (2/R. Scots), S/Sgt. Gardner (R.A.O.C.), Sgt. Denyer (R.E.), Q.M.S. Paterson (R.A.M.C.), Cpl. Webb (R.A.M.C.), Cpl. Murphy (R. Signals) and A. N. Other.

A meeting of the Council of the Hong Kong Football Association will be held on December 4 at 5.30 p.m. Among the items on the agenda will be the draws for the first round of the Junior and Senior Shield and the International Cup and the selection of teams for the charity game on New Year day in aid of the British War Organisation Fund and the interport with Shanghai.

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WEEK-END SOCCER PROGRAMME

FIRST DIVISION
South China "A" v Kowloon
(Caroline Hill at 4.15 p.m.).
Referee:—Omar.
Linesmen:—Smith and Hobson.
Kwong Wah v Middlesex
(Boundary Road at 4.15 p.m.).
Referee:—Silva.
Linesmen:—Wyper and Demmee.
Royal Navy v Police
(Causeway Bay at 4.15 p.m.).
Referee:—Minham.
Linesmen:—Dove and Sze Po Wai.

SECOND DIVISION "A"
South China v R. A. O. C.
(Caroline Hill at 2.45 p.m.).
Referee:—Mitchell.
Eastern v Club
(St. Joseph's at 2.45 p.m.).
Referee:—Fraser.
8th R.A. v Kit Che
(Stanley at 4.15 p.m.).
Referee:—Ford.

SECOND DIVISION "B"
Royal Scots v Engineers
(Military at 2.45 p.m.).
Referee:—Barretto.
R. A. F. v Kwong Wah
(Boundary Road at 2.45 p.m.).
Referee:—Beard.

Signals v Kowloon
(Kowloon at 4.15 p.m.).
Referee:—Somerville.
Police v University

THIRD DIVISION
5th R.A. v R. A. S. C.
(Sookunpoo at 2.45 p.m.).
R. A. M. C. v 24th R.A.
(Sookunpoo at 4.15 p.m.).
International v Engineers
(Military at 4.15 p.m.).
12th R.A. v Royal Scots
(Stanley at 2.45 p.m.).

TO-MORROW

FIRST DIVISION
St. Joseph's v S. China "B"
(Caroline Hill at 4.15 p.m.).
Eastern v R. Scots
(Club at 4.15 p.m.).

THIRD DIVISION
South China v Kumàons
(Caroline Hill at 2.45 p.m.).
Signals v Electric
(Club at 2.45 p.m.).
30th R.A. v 5th R.A.
(Stanley at 2.45 p.m.).
* Postponed.

LADIES' HOCKEY

RECREIO MAKE SENIOR DEBUT THIS AFTERNOON

(By "ADREM")

As recently as last season I should have had little hesitation in predicting as close a fight as one could wish for in the Senior Ladies' hockey fixture between "Y" and Hong Kong Ladies.

This afternoon these teams meet at King's Park but in view of the convincing form shown hitherto by "Y" and the equally unimpressive performances of Hong Kong, I have little hesitation in naming the former team as winners. They should win the points by a comfortable margin although Miss Pocock, an original selection, is unfit and will be replaced by Mrs. Ashman, from the junior team. Miss Dunn will fill the vacancy in the junior team.

St. Andrew's, although they have out their strongest team with the exception of Mrs. Bliss (Phyllis Gittins) who arrived from long leave yesterday, will not be able to take any chances against the speedy Central British School team which has been in hard training since September.

Nevertheless, the fine defence of the Saints and the shooting capabilities of Miss Reid and Miss Roberts should carry them through.

A close game should result from the fixture between Recreio and C.B.A. This match will mark Recreio's debut to the ranks of senior hockey and they can be depended upon to give of their best. If their forwards take advantage of the shooting opportunities which come their way they may manage to pull it off, but the greater experience of Miss I. Woolley and her contemporaries will probably decide the issue in favour of C.B.A.

The Junior fixtures should result in victories for "Y" Ladies, Argonauts and Recreio over C.B.S., St. Andrew's and C.B.A. respectively.

PROGRAMME SENIORS

"Y" Ladies	v	H.K. Ladies
(St. Andrews)	v	(C. B. A., 3 p.m.)
Recreio	v	C. B. A.
(Recreio, 3 p.m.)		
C. B. S.	v	"Y" Ladies
(C. B. S., 3 p.m.)		
St. Andrews	v	Argonauts
(C. B. A., 4.15 p.m.)		
Recreio	v	C. B. A.
(Recreio, 4.15 p.m.)		

and, as he knows what to do with it, Bidwell should be most dangerous at fly-half.

VOLUNTEER CHALLENGE TO ARMY

Hong Kong Volunteers are fielding a very useful fifteen for their Rugby match against Army on the Club ground to-day at 4.15 p.m. and it would be difficult to forecast the result, the Volunteers having the better outsiders and the Army a superior pack.

The absence of Thompson, who is down with malaria, has caused the removal of Needham from the second row of the pack to full-back, where he tackles well, though he may not prove fast enough.

Day, Alec Taylor and Hopkins are all on the injured list.

The teams are:
VOLUNTEERS—C. F. Needham, D. I. Bosanquet, M. G. Carruthers, J. Hutchison and D. H. Stewart; F. Cessford and J. R. Henderson; E. W. Stout, K. A. Salter, A. F. Walkden, D. Hynes, E. A. Bompas, W. B. Richardson, G. C. Godfrey and F. Burford.

ARMY—Sergt. Lang (R.A.O.C.); Bomdr. Marsh (8th H.R.A.); Lieut. Skipwith (8th H.R.A.); L/Cpl. Waite (R.E.); Gunnr. Richards (8th H.R.A.); L/Cpl. Boe (R.S.); Lieut. Hook (8th H.R.A.); Lieut. Pinkerton (R.S.); Lieut. Hewitt (Mdx. R.); L/Bdr. Evens (5th A.A.R.A.); Pte. Berry (Mdx. R.); Gunnr. Whitehead (5th A.A.R.A.); Capt. Duke (R.S.); Lieut. Cuthbertson (R.S.); Lieut. Ridsdale (Royal Norfolk Regt.).

Reserves:—Sergt. Page (A.A.R.A.); L/Cpl. Apperly (R.E.); Sign. Willis (R.C.S.).
Referee:—Comdr. Linton, R.N.

KENNEDY PLAYING
Club "A" will be represented by the following against Navy "A" at 3.15 p.m.; A. N. Other, Nelson, Lavalle, Charter and Van Leeuwen; Bidwell and Thomson; Wanklyn, Castleton, Benn, Moodie, Roscoe, Heasman and Kennedy.

Points of interest in this team are Kennedy's first appearance for Club—he has just been transferred to Hong Kong from Shanghai, where he was S.R.F.C. captain—and Thomson's first real test. With Castleton, hooking Thomson ought to see a lot of the ball,

Rivals of Last Season Clash Again To-Day

(By "REFEREE")

ONLY TWO UNBEATEN First Division teams—South China "A" and Kowloon—meet in their first round game at Caroline Hill this afternoon and a good game is anticipated.

Last year Kowloon played three matches with the Chinese before they were eliminated in the Second Round of the Senior Shield.

Both teams have met Middlesex, and Kowloon won by 3 goals to 1, whereas South China were only able to draw.

Kowloon will be fielding their usual team though Bliss who arrived yesterday will be available.

The Chinese are not confident of winning this game. Lee Wai-tong, Lee Ting-sang and Leung Wing-chui are all nursing injuries while Lau Tau-man, their left winger, has left for Shanghai on holiday.

Another good game should be witnessed at Boundary Street where Kwong Wah are at home to Middlesex who will have Pearson in the attack.

A good Second Division game should be witnessed at Happy Valley where Royal Scots and Engineers meet. Both are in running for the Sectional title.

KOWLOON GOLF CLUB

The following starting times have been arranged for the Kowloon Golf Club Junior Championship to-morrow:

2.00	J. Leitch and W. Kershaw.
2.04	B. Basto and J. Cole.
2.08	T. Henderson and L. Sykes.
2.12	H. Grose and R. A. C. Basto.
2.16	J. Sale and L. A. Gutierrez.
2.20	G. Moss and W. Davenport.
2.24	J. Farmer and F. J. Remedios.
2.28	A. Butfield and F. Zimmern.
2.32	W. C. Hung and A. N. Other.

The annual dinner of the Kowloon Chess Club will be held in the Green Room of the Peninsula Hotel on December 12 at 8 p.m. when prizes won during the year will be presented.

CIVILIAN HOCKEY XI

Following Civilian trial teams have been selected for to-morrow in preparation for the forthcoming Services v Civilian charity hockey match.

The venue is Club ground and the time 10 a.m.

Colours:—U. B. Souza (Radio); V. C. Bond (C.B.A.), Mehar Singh (Police); M. H. Hassan (Radio), W. A. Reed (Club), R. J. Reed (Nomads); S. A. Fowler (Club), E. F. A. Morgan (Club), Pyara Singh (K.I.T.C.), J. M. Pinto (K.I.T.C.), J. Soares (Recrelo).

Whites:—V. M. Benwell (Y.M.C.A.); R. Xavier (Nomads), J. Gonsalves (Recrelo); N. Whitley (C.B.A.), W. Brown (Police), R. Marques (Recrelo); D. T. Smith (C.B.A.), T. S. D. Whitley (C.B.A.), Gur-bachan Singh (Radio), E. Fowler (C.B.A.), Narwant Singh (Police).

The following are also requested to attend and will be brought into either of the teams in the second half.—E. L. Gosano (Recrelo), D. Taylor (C.B.A.), E. V. Reed (Club), T. Alves (Recrelo), M. R. Malik (K.I.T.C.), R. A. Bates (Club), Howlett (Police), N. Beltrão (Recrelo), Awtar Singh (Radio).

JUNIOR FIXTURE CANCELLED

The cricket match arranged for this afternoon between Club de Recrelo and Kowloon Cricket Club junior teams was cancelled last night owing to the fact that many of the former team are proceeding to Battery Camp this afternoon.

NARROW WIN

Aspirants defeated Signals by 20 points in their indoor bowling match at the Hong Kong Bowling Alleys on Tuesday. Scores:

ASPIRANTS

J. R. Fawcett	179	168	174	521
L. Gaddi	164	145	147	456
J. S. Landolt	180	148	127	455
R. H. Duddridge	102	140	111	353
Total	625	601	559	7,785

SIGNALS

J. H. Watts	169	147	173	489
H. Blount	147	168	171	486
G. Somerville	135	132	161	428
G. Hart	110	115	137	362
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London, To-day.

THE NAVAL AUTHORITIES to-day confirmed that the mines menace will be countered within six or seven days by the creation of new mine-sweeping devices, notably the use of wooden boats equipped with steel rafts.

Meanwhile, the Admiralty has decided to intensify the verification of identity of neutral vessels since, according to some indications, the Germans lay their magnetic mines by steamers camouflaged as neutral ships.

Politicians have gained the impression that these German activities are intended to divert attention from the gigantic preparations for the offensive which some neutral sources believe is imminent, adding that the war has now entered an active phase as indicated by the preliminary operations of the German Air Force over the British coast.

Some expect a violent German air offensive will be directed against British factories, harbours and all important centres without consideration for loss of civilian life.

The British Air Force is fully capable of repulsing these attacks while the British Navy is ready to take ruthless reprisals at sea, which,

however, will not entail loss of life or merchantmen as in the German methods of warfare.

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Meanwhile, the opinion is prevalent here that the Germans are endeavouring to devise new means of naval warfare every week and the Admiralty have closely watched the "mysterious activities" of certain German seaplanes. — Havas.

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Rome, To-day.

It is officially announced that Count Ciano, Italian Foreign Minister, drew the attention of the British and French envoys to the "consequences which the seizure of German exports might have on Italian traffic." — Reuter.

Paris, To-day.

A big reduction in the armed forces in the region of the Italian frontier is implied in a communique announcing reduction of the army zone.

Departments henceforth excluded from the zone are the Ain, Haute Savoie, Savoie, Isere, Basses Alpes, Alpes Maritimes, Var and Corsica.—Reuter.

London, To-day.

"The Fatherland is in peril not because of external enemies but because of the Fuehrer, who is leading us towards destruction, and revolution against Hitler is our only salvation," writes a member of the Hitler Youth movement to the German Freedom Station, according to the latter's announcer, who declared that everywhere in Germany opposition is on the increase.

In the Ruhr Basin coal output has decreased despite longer shifts and additional miners brought from Poland, and the Ruhr has again become the mightiest stronghold against the Nazis.—Reuter.

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